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Signal supervisors vote to work on

Ballot blow to union means that third of trains will keep running

BY PHILIP BASSETT
INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

LEADERS of the RMT rail union suffered a severe setback last night when signalling supervisors rejected strike action by a 3-2 margin. The outcome of the RMT's postal ballot delighted government ministers and managers of both British Rail and Railtrack, who had said that the industry faced destruction if industrial action got worse.

Robert Horton, Railtrack's chairman, said: "I am very pleased with the outcome of the ballot. Clearly RMT members are very dispirited with this futile and unnecessary action. It is time the RMT ended this charade, listened to their members, and worked to resolve this dispute."

The supervisors' refusal to join the signalmens' strike means that British Rail will be able to run about a third of its normal services during the 24-hour strike next Friday and the 48-hour strike starting on August 15.

The result of the ballot of the RMT supervisors, who — with non-union employees and managers — have been keeping many signal boxes open during the series of eight rail strikes, was delivered to union leaders yesterday afternoon. It showed that 157 supervisors (41 per cent of those voting) voted to join the strike, and 225 (59 per cent) rejected it. There was a a high turnout of 72 per cent.

The scale of the majority was greater than even Railtrack, which runs track and signalling on the network, had forecast. RMT leaders had been warning privately that the ballot might reject strike action.

Jimmy Knapp, RMT general secretary, last night admitted that the result was an "obvious disappointment". He said: "The result is not critical to the conduct of the dispute. A 'yes' vote would have strengthened our hand, but a 'no' does not weaken our case."

RMT leaders maintained that the supervisors had come under considerable pressure from Railtrack. While the union's leadership insisted there was still "solid support", the ballot is privately recognised in the union as a blow.

Mr Knapp insisted that the vote did not indicate that the union should take up the suggestion from Sir Bob Reid, the BR chairman, to reballot its striking signal worker members on Railtrack's current pay and productivity offer. The union's leadership indicated a new front in the dispute, however, when it announced that it intended to ballot railway level-crossing keepers about joining the strikes.

The Government yesterday held talks with leaders of both BR and Railtrack. Brian Mawhinney, the new Transport Secretary, called in Sir Bob and Mr Horton. Dr Mawhinney's last intervention in the protracted dispute brought an ultimately fruitless effort by the conciliation service Acas to restart negotiations. At yesterday's meeting he emphasised his belief that a settlement was still possible.

The Department of Transport said: "Dr Mawhinney reiterated that it was up to the two sides to reach a settlement but that he believed the elements were there to reach a successful conclusion by negotiation." Dr Mawhinney said after the meeting: "I hear people saying they are ready and willing to negotiate, and I am sure that is what the public wants."

He also gave the Government's strongest warning so far about the strike, saying that the public was being "seriously inconvenienced, the railway industry is being damaged and the broader British economy is in danger of being damaged". The Freight Transport Association said that industry's confidence in the railways was being destroyed.

BR got its services back to normal yesterday following the end of the 24-hour strike at midday.

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Navy moves in to stop tuna war 'wolf packs'

BY NICK NUTTALL, NICHOLAS WOOD AND EDWARD OWEN IN MADRID

BRITAIN and Spain were at loggerheads last night over fishing in the Bay of Biscay after the Government denounced Spanish fishermen's "dangerous and outrageous" attacks on Cornish vessels.

Amid an increasingly ugly "tuna war" over alleged illegal nets used by British ships, angry Cornish fishermen protested about Spanish ships surrounding British trawlers and hacking off gear worth thousands of pounds.

HMS Anglesey, a Royal Navy fisheries protection vessel, was last night 450 miles off Land's End, ready to protect the small British fishing fleet and investigate Spanish accusations that UK nets contravene European regulations.

Yesterday the Newlyn-based *Ar-Bageergan* became the third British ship to lose its nets. The trawler was reportedly surrounded by up to nine Spanish ships which hacked off its nets with propellers and sank them.

Michael Jack, the fisheries minister, and the Foreign Office complained about the Spanish marauders "taking the law into their own hands". Ministers reacted to the fury among Cornish fishermen while making clear that they wanted *HMS Anglesey* and its inspector to investigate the Spanish allegations that British trawlers are using drift nets six kilometres (3.8 miles) long, far more than the 2.5 km allowed by the European Union.

Mike Townsend, chief executive of the Cornish Fish Producers' Association, said that the British nets were legal, but he was contradicted by Greenpeace, which has sent a vessel to the area.

The British are fishing with a new kind of net, developed by Loughborough University and a firm called Leach and Turner in Tregony, Cornwall, which is designed to reduce inadvertent catches of dolphins and porpoises.

John Leach of the firm said that sections of net measuring up to 100 metres wide are strung out with gaps or doors of up to 80 metres wide. The tuna, which need to keep swimming to survive, hit the nets and their gills become entangled in the mesh. But dolphins and other mammals swim through the gaps.

"The overall length varies from ship to ship and they may appear to be longer than the rules, but there is only 2.5 km of net," Mr Leach said.

Mr Townsend said that more British vessels were at risk. The Spanish, who fish for tuna with traditional rods and lines, have 470 trawlers in the Bay compared with a British fleet of no more than a dozen. Much of the tuna caught by British ships is bought by a wholesaler who sells the catch to Spain for canning.

Commenting on an earlier reported attack on the *Pilot Star*, also from Newlyn, Mr Townsend said that the Spanish authorities were aiding the aggressors.

"I would not be surprised if there is another incident. These guys are out of control," he said. "I am very worried, because the skipper understood that a Spanish protection vessel gave the position of the boat to his Spanish compatriots. Within an hour and a half the wolf pack were surrounding him, harassing him and threatening him. They cut the fishing gear away. It was an extremely dangerous situation."

In Dublin officials were seeking details of an incident

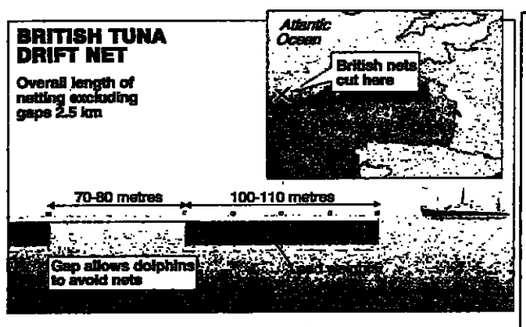
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SIMON WALKER



Crewmen from the trawler *Wendy Pulfrey* unload their catch of tuna yesterday in Newlyn, Cornwall.



Blair's Labour party rewrites Gallup records

BY NICHOLAS WOOD, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

LABOUR has raced to an all-time high under Tony Blair, stretching its lead over the Conservatives to a record 33.5 percentage points, according to a new survey.

The Gallup poll gives Labour 56.5 per cent support, compared with 23 per cent for the Tories and 14.5 per cent for the Liberal Democrats. Labour is up 5.5 points since early last month and before Mr Blair's election as leader, while the Tories are down 3.5 points and Paddy Ashdown's party has slipped 3 points.

The poll, published in *The Daily Telegraph* today, will make grim reading for John Major as he leaves Britain tomorrow for a fortnight's holiday in Portugal.

Far more people think Mr Blair would make the best Prime Minister than was ever thought of his predecessor, the late John Smith. Mr Blair is favoured by 45 per cent of the country, compared with 15 per cent for Mr Major and Mr Ashdown, the main loser over the last month as Mr Blair has made inroads into the "Middle England" vote. The figures suggest that despite the Prime Minister's success in recent weeks in steadying his fractious backbenchers, he has failed to halt Labour's rise under Mr Blair. Tory strategists will be hoping that they can begin to reverse the tide in the autumn, on the strength of a united party conference and accelerating economic recovery.

There is no precedent for the Labour surge. Labour's 33.5-point lead is the biggest enjoyed by any party over its rivals in Gallup's 57 years of measuring the political pulse of the nation. Its 56.5-point rating is also a record. Only Harold Wilson's Government, in the post-devaluation trough of 1968, was nearly as unpopular as the Tories are today.

The survey also suggests that the public is shedding its past anxieties about a Labour government. Of all voters, 86 per cent say they would be "delighted" or "would not mind" a change at the election. More than half of Tory backers fall into the latter category.

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Teenage killer's daily football outings arouse Tory wrath

BY ANDREW PIERCE

A TEENAGE killer who stabbed a man to death is being allowed out of youth custody every day to play football for Arsenal. Kevin Dennis, 17, has been given special permission to train with the youth side and play in matches.

A political row broke out after Prison Service sources said that the former England under-16 player is allowed to train during the day and play in the evening, accompanied by prison officers. Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, is under pressure from Tory MPs to overturn the decision.

Kevin Dennis and his elder brother, Desmond, 18, were convicted in February of killing Simon Geary, 23, last September outside their home in Highbury, north London, a few minutes' walk from the football ground. An Old Bailey jury was told that Kevin stabbed Mr Geary six times after a long-running family feud. Both brothers were found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to 30 months' youth custody.

Sir Ivan Lawrence, Tory chairman of the influential Commons home affairs committee, said: "There is a whole culture out there which has to be fought. This is typical of a long line of totally inappropriate decisions where prisoners are treated as if they are in holiday camps."

Henry Bellingham, Tory MP for Norfolk North West, said: "For this man to be allowed out to carry on a near-normal life makes a mockery of the system." Teresa Gorman, Tory MP for Billericay, said: "Sooner or later there is going to be a rebellion on the part of ordinary people against this sort of thing."

A spokeswoman for the Prison Service said that there was a long-running policy of allowing young offenders out of custody to help their education or employment prospects.

George Graham, Arsenal manager, said: "We all have our different jobs to do. I have no comment to make."



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Lightning strikes kill two men

BY MARIANNE CURPHEY

TWO men died yesterday in the electrical storms that swept much of Britain. Forecasters say there is more rain to come.

Andrew Wilson, 23, was killed when struck by lightning during an amateur football match in Goole, Humberside, and a dockworker died when a fuel dump at Avonmouth Docks, Bristol, was set on fire after being hit.

The large number of ground strikes has prompted experts to predict the highest number of deaths from lightning in a decade. Mr Wilson was the fourth person killed this year, one more than in all of 1993.

An angler, Mark Davidson, of Whitley Bay, Tyne and Wear, narrowly escaped after his boat was struck by lightning off the coast at Cullercoats. He left hospital after treatment. In the South West electrical storms damaged homes and buildings in Wiltshire, Somerset and Avon.

Forecasters say that the heatwave which made July the second hottest since 1659 could be over by Tuesday.

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Yugoslavia goes on alert

Yugoslavia last night placed its army and police on alert after President Milosevic of Serbia urged Bosnian Serbs to dump their "war profiteer" leaders and severed all political and economic ties with them. Borders would be sealed to all trade but food, clothes and medicine.

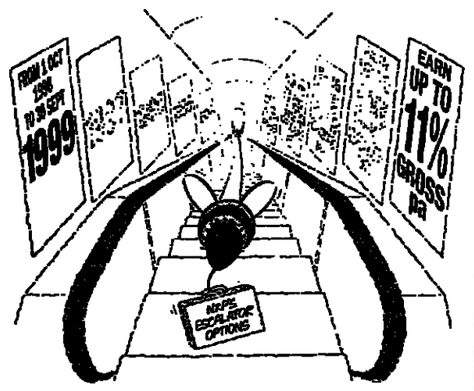
The breach between Mr Milosevic and Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, is thought to have been encouraged by Russia, and is believed to be so severe that only one of them can survive politically ..... Page 12

Atherton falls at century hurdle

Mike Atherton, the England cricket capain, walked off the Headingley pitch in anguish yesterday after spending all day battling to regain his reputation with a true captain's innings in the wake of the ball-tampering allegations of two weeks ago.

But after 300 minutes of an innings full of character in the second Test against South Africa fate gave him a cruel punishment when he was caught and bowled on 99, one run short of the century that would have completed his rehabilitation ..... Page 40

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Whitehall 'wasted £65m by hiring private consultants'

BY MICHAEL DYNES, WHITEHALL CORRESPONDENT

WHITEHALL squandered £65 million last year buying analysis and advice from private consultants, according to a Cabinet Office report published yesterday.

Consultants cost the taxpayer £567 million in 1992-93 and there was often no realistic way of quantifying the benefits, the report by the Prime Minister's Efficiency Unit said. Savings achieved by extensive use of consultants could be as little as £12.2 million a year, although the real figure was likely to be significantly higher.

However, more than £130 million could be pruned from the annual consultancy bill over the next three years if a series of changes was implemented immediately, it added. The report, commissioned in January by John Major, admonished government departments for hiring consultants often without thinking through their objectives or monitoring performance.

The survey of Whitehall departments, Next Step agencies and assorted quangos produced a list of errors. These included leaving hiring decisions to junior officials, calling in consultants in a knee-jerk manner when faced with a pressing problem, failure to put contracts properly out to tender and little attempt to assess value for money.

Despite these shortcomings, the report highlighted the benefits consultants had brought to government over the past ten years. These include helping departments and agencies to adopt good commercial practices, improved decision-making and enabling government to implement key policy objectives.

Recent examples of this are the Government's privatisation programme, which has generated £55 billion from sales, and the market-testing of government functions against private sector competition, which has produced savings of £130 million, the report said.

In an effort to improve use of consultants, the report listed nine factors that must be met before awarding contracts, including hiring outside expertise only on matters of importance, greater coordination to avoid duplication, more effective management of the work they carry out, implementing recommendations and assessing value.

The report said: "We estimate that our recommendations could save, mainly on consultancy fees, £65 million a year. If these improvements had the effect of increasing efficiency of running costs and programme expenditure across government by only 0.1 per cent, it would be worth a further £164 million a year," the report said.

David Hunt, the public service minister, said the Government would give careful consideration to the report. But he emphasised that "the positive contribution that external consultants have made and can continue to make to the achievement of important government objectives".

Barry Reamsbottom, general secretary of the civil service union CPSA, called the report a "damning indictment" of the Government's management practices. "The fat fees these firms have been taking are out of all proportion to the benefits derived," he said.

Michael Meacher, Labour's public service spokesman, demanded an inquiry by the Commons Public Accounts Committee into the fees charged. "This report reveals jobs for the boys on a grand scale," he said.

£20m spent on rail sell-off 'gravy train'

BY JONATHAN PRYNN, POLITICAL REPORTER

THE Government has spent nearly £20 million on hiring consultants to advise on rail privatisation, according to figures released by the Labour Party yesterday.

Frank Dobson, shadow Transport Secretary, condemned the "endless millions" paid to outside advisers "at a time when the Government says that the country can't afford to reward signalling staff for their remarkable improvements in productivity".

The £5.6 million paid by the Transport Department to one City legal firm, Linklaters & Paines, would alone be more than enough to settle the signalworkers' dispute, Mr Dobson claimed.

Consultants retained by the department for advice on privatisation had cost the taxpayer £16.8 million, according to the government figures disclosed by Mr Dobson.

A further £2.3 million was paid by the Office of Passenger Rail Franchising, while The Rail Regulator, another public-sector quango, paid £648,000.

Mr Dobson said huge sums had been wasted. The £2.5 million paid to Coopers & Lybrand and Putnam Hayes & Bartlett for advice on charging for access to tracks had been "in vain" because new studies had to be commissioned after the first charging system proved to be unsatisfactory.

In another case, management consultants were taken on at a cost of £140,000 just to recruit property advisers.

"The only train they really care about is the gravy train," Mr Dobson said. "It's a system of outdoor relief for the consulting classes. It should be on the social security budget, with Mr Lilley cutting down on it."

A spokeswoman for the Transport Department said it was far more cost-effective to hire outside advisers for short-term contracts than to employ in-house experts in specialist areas such as merchant banking.

The £20 million cost of consultants had to be seen in the context of British Rail's annual £4 billion turnover, the spokeswoman added.

ROYAL NAVY



A Navy officer checking nets to make sure they conform with EC regulations

Tuna war

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involving an Irish trawler. Reports said an Irish vessel had its nets cut.

Mr Townsend demanded Government protection for British ships and compensation from Spain for the trawlers that have lost their gear.

Mr Jack said Britain had warned Spain against its fishermen acting unilaterally and that the ministry would take up well-founded compensation claims. "I can assure our fishermen that we have a Royal Navy patrol vessel on the grounds. Her tasks are to protect our vessels, to conduct her normal enforcement duties and to stay in close touch with patrol vessels from other member states."

The Foreign Office said it had voiced concern with Madrid over claims that a Spanish naval vessel has been directing the tunamen towards British boats. Its intervention fell short of a formal protest. The Spanish Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries admitted that there had been "incidents" and said that it told its fishermen to "calm down". A spokeswoman added: "The illegal nets of one British boat were cut."

The Spanish minister responsible for fisheries, Luis Atienza, had made a formal complaint to Britain about illegal drift nets by about a dozen British vessels. The British Embassy said that the Anglesey would investigate the allegations.

Manuel Pardavila, of the Spanish Fishing Boat Owners' Brotherhood, said: "I'm not surprised the British nets were cut. The British boats refused to allow fishing inspectors to board."

He played down the prospect of another blockade on Bay of Biscay ports. "It cost us too much money," he said.

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Professor joins attack on NHS reforms

BY JEREMY LAURANCE
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NHS reforms are out of control and the Government has no clear idea of where they are going, a leading health policy analyst says.

Professor Chris Ham, director of the Health Services Management Centre at the University of Birmingham, says there is no coherent strategy guiding the development of the NHS and says ministers "have been making it up as they have been going along".

The professor joins the four senior medical figures who wrote to *The Times* yesterday calling for a debate on the future of the NHS.

Prof Ham says in tomorrow's *British Medical Journal* that current government policies on the NHS are inconsistent and uncertain and lack clarity.

"There is no coherent strategy guiding the development of the NHS and there is a suspicion that the current occupants of Richmond House [headquarters of the Department of Health] are not much interested in developing one. The reality is that short-term political horizons dominate the thinking of politicians and militate against debate on matters of fundamental importance."

The professor says that ministers must clarify where they see the reforms going.

"This may entail the politically uncomfortable acceptance that market principles will not guarantee the concentration of services in centres that produce the best results."

Labour rejects overtures from Gang of Four

BY JILL SHERMAN
POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

LABOUR delivered a stinging rebuke yesterday to the three founding members of the Social Democratic Party who are calling for closer ties between Labour and the Liberal Democrats.

Jack Straw, shadow Environment Secretary, accused members of the Gang of Four, who founded the SDP in 1981 and are now Liberal Democrat peers, of trying to jump back on the bandwagon they had deliberately tried to destroy in the early 1980s. Mr Straw rejected any prospect of a deal between Labour and the Liberal Democrats.

He admitted that the main reasons for the formation of the SDP were Labour's lack of internal party democracy, its anti-European policies and support for unilateral disarmament — issues which had all since be resolved. But there were still policy differences between the parties over a minimum wage and trade union recognition.

He said that Shirley Williams, Roy Jenkins, David Owen and Bill Rodgers had set out to destroy the Labour Party and had come close to doing so in 1983. "It is a bit rich for the people who left the Labour Party and then waged war, not on the Conservatives but on Labour for 12 years, to say, 'The Labour party has changed and we would like to be welcomed back with open arms,'" Mr Straw said on BBC Radio.

"I don't think we are going to hang out the flags for the fact that 12 years on the people who sought to destroy the Labour Party are now going through the funeral rites of their own approach, which itself has failed."

Menzies Campbell, Liberal Democrat spokesman for foreign affairs and defence, said that Tony Blair, the new Labour leader, had not been put to the test yet and presented no great threat.

In a frosty aside to Lord Rodgers of Quarry Bank, Baroness Williams of Crosby and Lord Jenkins of Hillhead who have called for closer links with Labour, Mr Campbell said: "A period of modest silence on the part of some senior members of the party would be most welcome."

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Cut-price fever grips high street travel firms

BY MARIANNE CURPHEY

THE package holiday price war intensified yesterday with leading travel agents announcing another round of cuts.

Lunn Poly increased its discounts to 15 per cent immediately after its high street rival Going Places reduced brochure prices by 13 per cent for summer 1995.

Going Places hit back quickly by raising its discounts to 14 per cent and later in the day to 15 per cent. This will apply to about half of the holidays it sells.

Co-op Travelcare announced it would cut £12 off every £100 spent on overseas package holidays and charter flights. Thomas Cook said it would bring in across-the-board 11 per cent discounts and then later in the day announced it was increasing its discounts to 15 per cent on nearly 75 per cent of all holidays on sale in its shops from today.

However, industry analysts warn that customers will be the ultimate losers in a price war and predict record complaints over service as a result of cost cutting.

David Johnston, a former sales director with the tour operator Owners Abroad and now a travel agency manager, said: "Cutting manpower to drive costs down will inevitably result in poor quality service and accommodation.

"Hoteliers employing fewer staff will render their hotels tired and unfriendly. For holidaymakers, the sharp taste of poor quality will linger far longer than the sweet taste of cheap prices. Already some hotels are changing beds and cleaning rooms less frequently."

Tour operators have much to gain in bringing out their brochures early. Bruce Jones, leisure analyst at the City stockbrokers Smith New Court, said: "Between 10-15 per cent of holidaymakers want a specific resort in the peak season and will not compare brochures but book with the first operator to launch."

Uncollected VAT equal to 1p off income tax

BY NICHOLAS WOOD
CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Government could cut a penny off income tax if it sharpened the system for collecting VAT from businessmen, according to MPs on the Public Accounts Committee.

They said yesterday that £2 billion a year of VAT goes uncollected because traders either cannot understand the system, cannot be bothered to find out or deliberately dodge payment.

"We consider the figure is far too high," the MPs warn, urging Customs and Excise to press ahead with plans to simplify regulations and procedures, tighten inspections and cut the huge cost to firms of complying with the rules.

Nick Brown, a Labour Treasury spokesman, said the report highlighted the Government's negligence and claimed that if it plugged the loopholes there would be no need to levy VAT on gas and electricity bills.

The report, from the most senior Commons all-party committee, chaired by Robert Sheldon, a prominent Labour MP, paints a nightmarish picture of businessmen ensnared in a web of rules and regulations so complex that only a minority pay their full VAT dues.

The MPs note "with concern" that VAT is governed by 156 main regulations and that there have been 209 regulatory changes in the last nine years.

The PAC report found widespread ignorance among businessmen about the VAT system. Only one firm in five understood fully the VAT regime. Customs inspectors found that 55 per cent of companies were not declaring their full VAT liability.

Noting that Customs and Excise are undertaking further analysis to identify reasons for error, the MPs add: "We consider this an issue of great importance and we will wish to keep it under review."

☐ *The Cost to Business of Complying with VAT Requirements* (HMSO; £7.20)

Judge criticises cuts in public spending

A judge told a jury that the lack of photographs provided by the prosecution in a lengthy drug case was due to cuts in public spending. Judge Simpson said at Woolwich Crown Court yesterday that it was a choice between low income tax or a good service, not both, but the election was the time to decide. He made his comments when defence counsel requested copies of photographs to be referred to.

When prosecution officials left the courtroom to establish whether copies would be available, Judge Simpson said: "It's cuts in public expenditure — it's not only schools and health that are affected. It is either low income tax or good services — and the election is the time we decided." When the officials were unable to return with an answer, Judge Simpson adjourned early for lunch.

The nine men on trial are facing various charges including conspiracy to supply drugs, and malicious wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm.

MP's brothers in court

Two brothers of Ronald Campbell, the Labour MP, have appeared in court over an ambush in which a man had a gun held to his head. David Campbell was found not guilty before the trial started but John Campbell, Mark Hepples, and Mark Scott were convicted at Newcastle Crown Court of violent disorder. The case was adjourned for reports.

Boy, 14, clubs bully

A boy aged 14, fed up with years of bullying, attacked a classmate with a homemade club. His tormentor needed two stitches after being hit by the 18in piece of wood which had four nails driven through it. The boy, from Cannock in Staffordshire, admitted wounding at Stafford Crown Court and was put under a supervision order for a year.

Skeleton found on skip

The skeleton of a baby has been found in suitcase dumped in a skip outside a house in Wolverhampton. The baby, believed to have died more than 50 years ago, had been wrapped in newspapers, one dated 1936. Police were last night trying to trace a widow in her eighties, the last known resident of the property, who moved to Poole 18 months ago.

Companions ease birth

Women who have a constant companion during labour do better than those given drugs to speed delivery, researchers at Leeds University have found. A report in the *British Medical Journal* says the continual presence of a midwife or partner reduced the number of Caesarean and forceps deliveries, while using hormones or breaking the waters did not.

Emmerdale under fire

The makers of *Emmerdale*, ITV's rural soap opera, have been criticised by broadcasting watchdogs for the third time this year over the amount and degree of violence in the programme. The Broadcasting Standards Council yesterday upheld complaints about two episodes, shown before the 9pm family viewing watershed, which depicted attempted robbery and a street shoot-out, concluding that the level of violence "exceeded limits appropriate for such a serial".

Schoolboy outfoxes Oxford college and saves ancient hedge

By A Staff Reporter

JAMES Silk, the nine-year-old who pitted his school project against the reasoning of an Oxford University college, has won his battle to save a 1,000-year-old hedgerow.

The young botanist impressed his elders when, dressed in his school uniform, he gave evidence to a public inquiry on the future of the hedge.

Yesterday, Maureen Taylor, the planning inspector, published the results of her inquiry and dismissed Wolfson College's appeal against Oxford City Council's refusal to grant planning permission. They had wanted to tear it down, to make way for hockey and football pitches, and plant a new one.

James, who can see the Saxon hedgerow, 360yd long and 25ft high, from his bedroom window, argued that it was an irreplaceable habitat for tawny owls, bats and natterjack toads.

His evidence was based on a project he did on the hedge during his holidays from the £5,262-a-year Dragon preparatory school. Armed with binoculars and notebook, he spent hours detailing the animal and plant life.

On learning of the inspector's decision yesterday, he said: "I'm very happy. I think the right decision was made. It is an extremely important decision because it could protect the hedge for generations to come. If the college tries to appeal I'll fight them all the way and give my speech once again if I have to.

"I still visit the hedgerow and I hope that I will for many years to come. I have decided that I'm going to become a journalist and expose other cases like this in the future."

James's mother Hilary, 44, a part-time law lecturer, and his father Donald, 65, a retired solicitor, supported his stance. "We are all thrilled," said Mrs Silk. "The college was so sure that they would win. They said 'You may have the kid but you won't beat us'. We are very proud of him."

George Brown, another campaigner, said: "We're delighted that all the hard work by James and everyone else has paid off. It's an important decision not just for us but for the principle of maintaining Green Belt land."

In a six-page judgment Mrs Taylor said: "The strength of local opposition to the development indicates the extent to which this landscape is valued in the neighbourhood." She ruled the plans would detract from the "essential quality" of the landscape and would "significantly diminish" the historic interest of the area.

She also said the need for extra sports pitches at the college could not justify abandoning the aim to protect the Oxford Green Belt.

Wolfson College is considering whether to appeal. Nikolas Lyzba, a planning consultant, said: "The college is very disappointed."

■ An ancient Oxford University college yesterday fought off a bizarre ownership bid from a neighbour who claimed it had stolen his birthright. Pierre Griessenvock-Davis claimed that St John's College and its building yard on the Oxford Canal were left to him by his father in 1969. However, he failed yesterday at Oxford Crown Court to win an injunction forcing college authorities to hand the building back to him. Mr Griessenvock-Davis, 44, who lives on a canal boat moored near the college, told the court there were papers proving his claim, "but they have been put somewhere for safety and now can't be found".

ADRIAN BROOKS



James Silk at the hedge with his sister Polly, 7, yesterday. He wants to become a journalist "to expose other cases"

Injured jockeys rue day on beach

By Nick Watt

THREE horses died and three jockeys were taken to hospital with broken bones when Europe's only recognised flat race held on a beach opened at Laytown in the Irish Republic yesterday.

After the first race ended in disaster, worried riders sent a deputation to the stewards and forced them to rearrange the markers round the course. But there was more mayhem in the fifth race for amateur riders when three of the nine horses came down.

Workmen had only an hour to stake out the mile-long course before the first race at 3.30pm. The tide was only fully out by 2pm, and within hours of the last race at 6.30pm the racecourse was under water again.

There were other hazards too. Ice-cream vans sank into the wet sand and bookies balanced precariously on shifting boxes.

In the first race Mick Cleary broke his collarbone when his horse Five Little Girls slipped in a stream and brought down her immediate pursuer Smart Rosie. That horse's neck was broken and her jockey Conor Everard sustained a suspected broken collar bone.

The mayhem allowed the favourite, Tommy Stack's Tourandot, to come in virtually unopposed but the drama did not end there. A riderless horse galloped past the winning post, turned head over heels and suffered fatal injuries.

The Laytown Races, run along the beach 20 miles north of Dublin since 1876, attracts punters from all over Ireland. Many of them, though, were tourists making only small bets — to the bookies' dismay.

Before the races trainers took the horses for practice runs along the beach where they struggled to stop them rushing into the sea.

Trudy Bavin, 24, a yardhand, said: "It is the first time that the horses have been near the sea and they love going for a paddle. The sea is very relaxing and switches off hyper horses. But for some the sea is quite a distraction during the race."

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Gun raiders 'mostly bluffing'

By Richard Ford
Home Correspondent

ARMED robbers in London plan their attacks to avoid peak business or shopping hours and rarely fire their weapons, according to a study of more than 1,100 serious raids.

Many emerge as bluffers who use imitation weapons or put candles or courgettes under their coats to make it appear they have guns.

However, those with real guns said they were willing to use them to avoid surrendering peacefully to police. A quarter said they would have shot at police to avoid capture, according to the survey conducted on behalf of the Home Office by the Centre for Criminological Research at Oxford University.

☐ Police officers are being urged to have American bullet-proof vests tested before putting them to use. American officers are offering to donate discarded vests to their British colleagues after learning that they do not wear body protection as standard, despite the increasing use of firearms.

Dead robber graduated from rural crime school

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Correspondent

AN ARMED robber who shot himself after a gunbattle with police in south London this week, was not a child of inner-city slums or the London underworld. Kevin Gregory's death will be mourned in the Lincolnshire market town of Sleaford.

Yesterday his family refused to speak about the 32-year-old who graduated from juvenile crime to a country post office robbery and died challenging Scotland Yard marksmen after a high street jewellery robbery.

One of a family of three children, Gregory was born and raised in Sleaford. He was educated at local schools and was a member of a school army cadet unit and, later, the Territorial Army.

Gary Packham, a friend, met Gregory when he worked as a lathe operator with a local Sleaford engineering firm in 1980. "He was a likeable rogue but to me he was a good friend," Mr Packham said. "People who knew him would not be shocked. He was easily led."

Mr Packham described his friend as a "sharp, muscular man who looked after himself well". He was not gregarious, but he had friends.

In March 1987 Gregory, 25, was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment by Lincoln Crown Court for a £1,000 robbery on a village post office at Pointon, Lincolnshire, with a south Londoner called Stephen Simpson, 32. Gregory was the getaway driver and may also have supplied the handgun used.

The two men were arrested in London three weeks after the robbery. Both pleaded not guilty and Gregory continued to claim his innocence from prison. He appealed and lost, and then wrote to the BBC's *Rough Justice* programme for help.

Released from Parkhurst prison in June last year Gregory is reported to have returned briefly to Sleaford and then headed for London. Unemployed and unmarried, he was living in a hostel in Hackney, east London, on the day he died. Last night Flying Squad officers were investigating possible links with other robberies in the year he was free.

Yesterday Robert Knapp, 45, of Hammersmith, west London, a consultant for a prisoners' rehabilitation charity, was remanded in custody by South Western magistrates accused of taking part in the robbery with Gregory. He was charged with robbery of J J Barretts jewellers in Putney High Street and possession of a firearm with intent to endanger life on August 2.

Mr Knapp, who was working as a consultant for the National Association for the Care and Rehabilitation of Offenders (Nacro), was remanded in custody until September 1.

Nacro said yesterday that it had checked its employment files for the past five years and Mr Knapp was not on the its payroll. A spokeswoman said he might have been working as a volunteer with one of the charity's training schemes or at a hostel for ex-offenders.

Woman, 86, murdered in flat

By Paul Wilkinson

A WOMAN aged 86 was stabbed and strangled to death in her flat in a sheltered housing complex, detectives said yesterday.

There appears to be no motive for the killing of Amy Shepherd, who was sexually assaulted. Nothing was missing from her flat in Wibsey, West Yorkshire, and only a few coins were taken from her purse.

Police are working on a theory that Miss Shepherd might have known her assailant as there was no sign of forced entry. She had not used a panic button to summon assistance from a warden.

Det Supt Malcolm Mawson said: "The intruder either had Amy's confidence and was known to her, or he tricked his way in."

Mr Mawson said that police had recovered a blood-stained kitchen knife and a ligature from the flat. "We do not know wether it was a theft gone wrong or someone who came into the house to kill her."

He said Miss Shepherd had been extremely security-conscious. Her body was found on Tuesday night by the husband of the flats' warden who had been due to help Miss Shepherd with her eye drops, prescribed after a recent cataract operation.

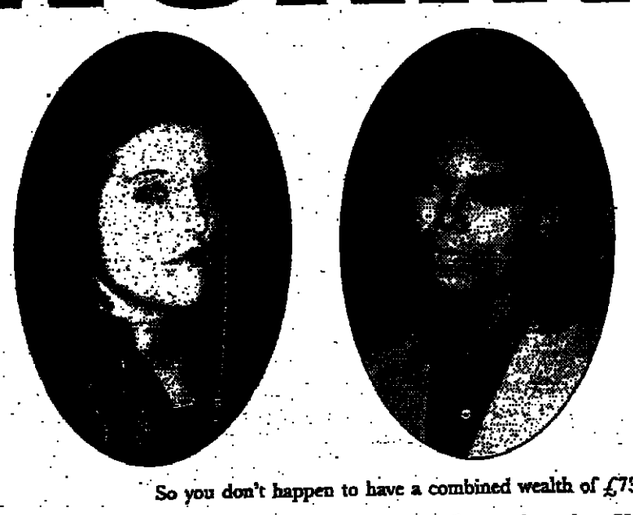
Mr Mawson said: "It was light and it is possible her attacker was bloodstained. Her death was almost instantaneous."

Miss Shepherd had retired in her seventies from a job as secretary to the managing director of a textile company. She had lived in the flats since 1981.

Martin Kelly, deputy chief executive of the Bradford and Northern Housing Association, which owns the flats, said: "It is a shocking incident and we are all distressed for Miss Shepherd and her family."

He said that all flats in the complex had security locks and door chains as well as an intercom link with the warden. There had been no recent reports of prowlers.

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Cookson writes off fortune as fantasy

By Dalya Alberge
Arts Correspondent

DAME Catherine Cookson, the best-selling novelist, has dismissed as ridiculous a report that she is the 445th richest person in Britain.

Business Age magazine said the 88-year-old writer, whose novels have often drawn on her poverty-stricken childhood on Tyneside, has a fortune of up to £32 million.

Dame Catherine, who has given millions to charity, fears that the report will prompt hundreds of begging letters.

She said: "I have never ever said how much money I have made from my books but this figure is ridiculous. They haven't taken into account how much money I give away. In the last few years I have donated well over £2 million to charities and Newcastle University."

Tom Rubython, editor of *Business Age*, explained that the figures were based on the number of published books (about 80), the number of copies sold (more than 100 million worldwide), and the fact that authors of Dame Catherine's standing generally received 16 per cent of the cover price.

Mr Rubython said that two years ago Samantha Fox, the topless model turned singer, had reacted similarly after *Business Age* said she was worth about £4.5 million. She complained to the magazine but later sued her father, who was her manager.

"It was the first time she'd realised she owned that much money," a spokesman for the magazine said.

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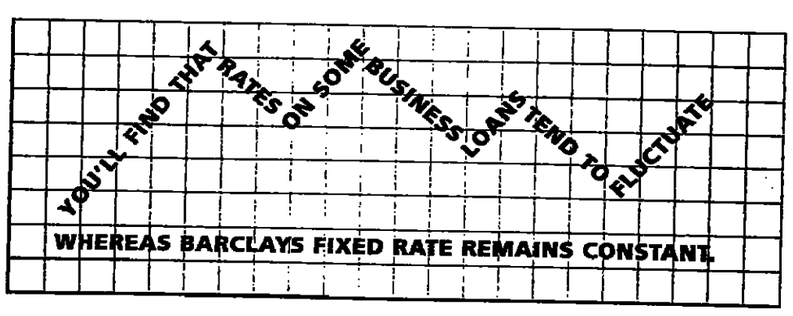
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'Mad cow' controls carve a third off beef auction prices

BY MICHAEL HORNSBY, AGRICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

FARMERS at Europe's biggest stockyard were yesterday counting the cost of new controls against "mad cow" disease. Cattle prices have slumped by up to a third since the measures came into effect nine days ago. Beef exports to the Continent, which earned nearly £350 million last year, have dwindled to little more than a trickle.

Leaning on the rails of the cattle auction ring at Banbury, Oxfordshire, Richard Fountaine, who farms near Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire, watched a prize Limousin heifer go for 114p per kilogram liveweight. "A year ago that animal would have sold for 135p a kilogram."

Mr Fountaine perked up a little after selling one of the three heifers of the same breed he had taken to market for 119p a kilogram. The other two animals fetched 113p and 114p, about what he had expected.

"In the circumstances I have not done too badly," he said. "But a couple of weeks ago I would have hoped for £30 to £40 more a head. That is a lot because we work to very tight margins."

Auctioneers said the only reason prices had not fallen lower was because many farmers were holding animals back. Normally over 600 cattle go through the Banbury Thursday market at this time of year: the figure was down by a third yesterday.

Under the new controls, no carcass beef can be exported to the Continent unless it is certified as coming from farms free of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) for at least six years. Four-fifths of the 126,000 tonnes of beef Britain exported to the Continent last year was shipped in carcass form. About two-thirds of the meat came from dairy cows slaughtered at the end of their milking life.

Gillian Shephard, the former agriculture minister, was forced to agree to the new controls in Brussels on July 18 as the price of getting Germany to end its threat of a unilateral import ban on all British beef.

Jim Watson, the chief livestock auctioneer at Banbury, said: "This was a political deal and the ramifications for those of us at the sharp end of the cattle trade were simply not thought through."

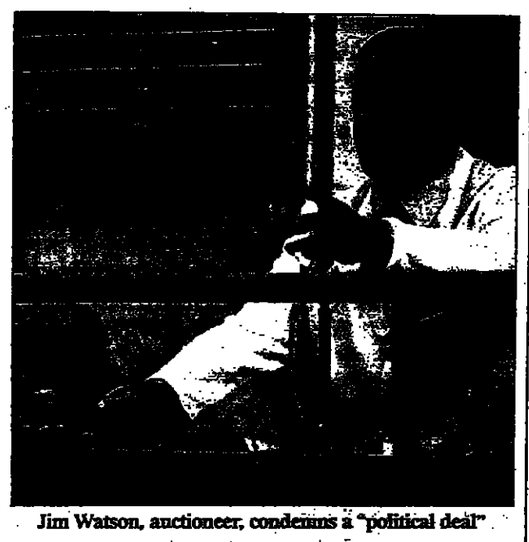
Farmers and meat traders are incensed that the new six-year certification rule applies to animals from specialist beef herds, in which there is little BSE, as well as to those from dairy herds.

In the auction ring yesterday, the number of animals being offered for sale "with papers" — a certificate showing no association with BSE for six years — were few and far between. But the reward for farmers able to provide the certificate could be great, adding up to £150 to the price of a top quality bullock with export potential.

JOHN POTTER



The number of cattle going through the Thursday market at Banbury was down by a third on the normal 600



Jim Watson, auctioneer, condemns a "political deal"

TOMORROW

The Times Crossword Challenge

STARTING on Saturday, our Crossword Challenge offers readers the chance to win one of three holidays in France, Greece and America.

● Tomorrow in *Weekend* we print the first of three crosswords, together with its first six clues. The remaining clues will appear next week, six clues a day from Monday to Friday. Completed crosswords are eligible for the competition to win a week for two skiing in the French alps, worth more than £2,000.

● On Saturdays August 13 and August 20 we will print our second and third challenge crosswords, offering the opportunity to win holidays in Greece and America.

● Readers also have the chance to win £100 worth of travellers' cheques on every day of the competition. For full details, see *Weekend* tomorrow.

Listed home 'ruined'

The Earl of Mexborough faces legal action over alterations to a grade II listed farm building on his Arden Hall estate in North Yorkshire.

He is accused of altering the late 18th century farmhouse so extensively that it cannot be restored. Planners in the North York Moors national park are recommending prosecution for an offence which carries a maximum fine of £20,000.

Murder charge

Kevin Gautry, 31, of Mansfield, Nottinghamshire, was remanded in custody by the town's magistrates accused of murdering his girlfriend Wendy Hubbard. Police divers are still looking for her body in disused gravel pit workings.

Reptile case

A man was accused of illegally importing endangered animals after nearly 200 reptiles were found in a garden shed. Guiseppe Tanti, 33, was remanded on bail by Cardiff magistrates.

Kop tribute

Danny Rowe, 16, a Liverpool FC fan from Banbury, Oxfordshire, who died from meningitis, was cremated with a piece of the Anfield Kop terrace.

Home alone

The Orkney island of Papa Stronsay is for sale at £295,000. The buyer will get 250 acres, a farmhouse, outhouses, a small harbour and complete isolation.

Chichester Bishop in new dispute

BY RUTH GLEDHILL, RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

THE Bishop of Chichester, the Right Rev Eric Kemp, who this week sacked a priest for his unorthodox views on God, has stopped a woman priest from celebrating communion in a Chichester church.

The Rev Gemma Downs would have been the first woman to celebrate communion in an Anglican church in the Chichester parish of St Paul and St Peter the Great.

Dr Kemp, 79, a determined opponent of women priests, informed Miss Downs it would not be appropriate for her to preside at the service at St Olave's even though the building is deconsecrated and occupied by a church book shop.

A communion service in the building is organised once a year by Barbara Scott, the shop manager. The bishop reminded Ms Scott that she had to have the permission of the parish vicar for a priest outside the parish to take the service. The vicar, Canon Keith Catchpole, a strong opponent of women priests, objected to Miss Downs.

Miss Downs, 47, curate of St Symphorian Church at Durrington, West Sussex, said she was phoned by Dr Kemp's office asking whether it was appropriate for her to take the service. "In view of this I felt it was necessary to pull out."

St Olave's is where the sacked priest, the Rev Anthony Freeman of Staplefield, West Sussex, launched his book *God With Us* last year.

Walter Ellis, page 14

Prison winger scores after light injury

A PRISONER who injured his face while playing football on a jail's artificial pitch has successfully sued the Home Office for damages (Kate Alderson writes).

David Horay, 24, suffered a black eye and bruising and swelling to his face and needed six stitches after slipping on the pitch and colliding with an unpadded security lighting pole. He was playing football in June last year for his wing in Walton prison, Liverpool, where he is being detained for burglary and aggravated vehicle taking. Alan Sellers, his counsel, told Liverpool County Court yesterday that the pole should have been padded and further away from the goal line.

The Home Office opposed the action but Judge John Morgan ruled in favour of Horay on the grounds of negligence and breach of statutory duty. He ruled that the pole should have been at least 10 yards from the goal line rather than 18ft, and that it should have been padded.

The amount of damages Horay will receive will not be decided until he is released next month.

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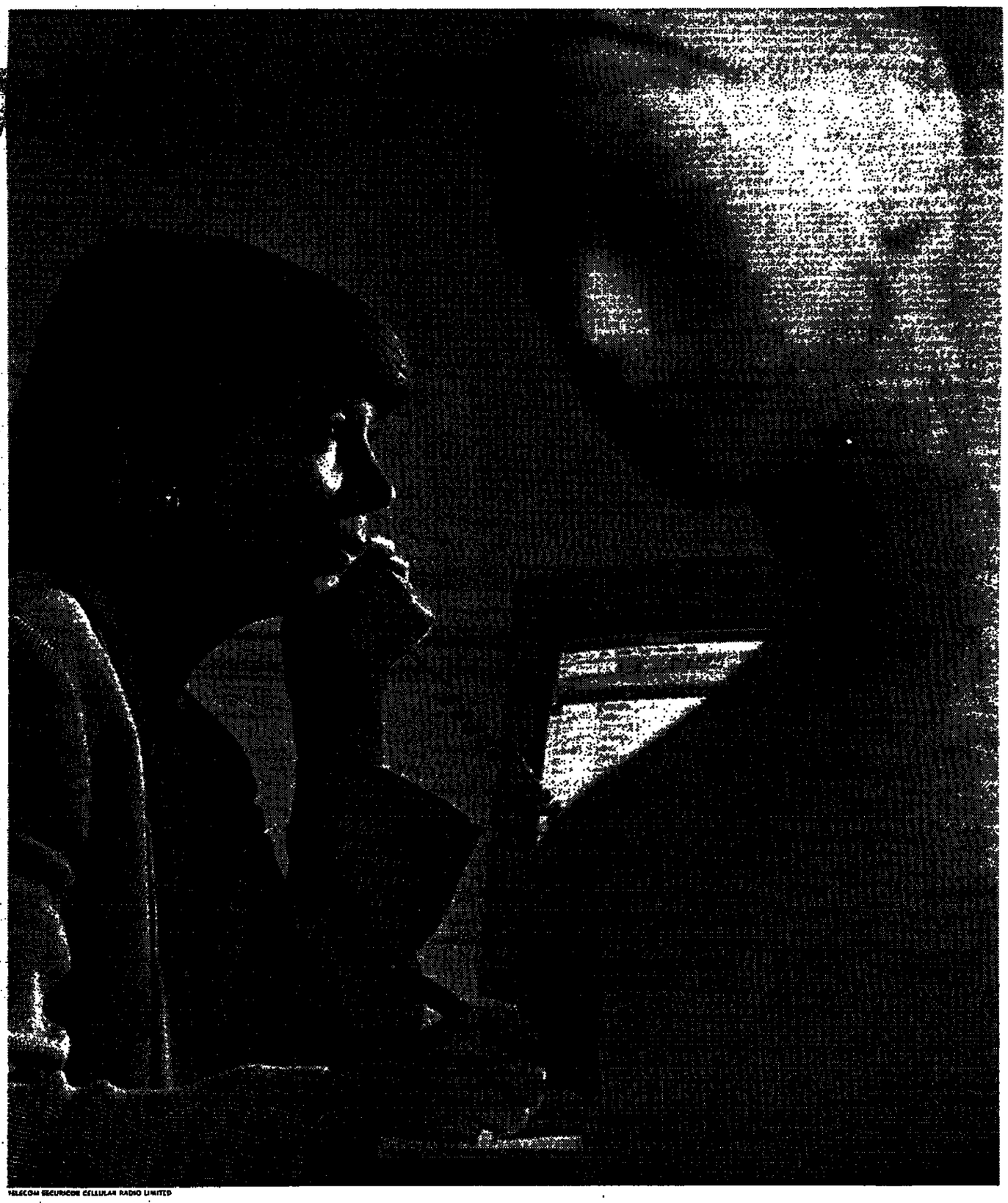
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Mawhinney names 'ships of shame' to protect coast

BY TIM JONES, TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

THE Government yesterday named 17 "ships of shame" in the first of a monthly list that will call to account the operators of vessels which could endanger lives or pollute Britain's coastline.

The 17 foreign-flagged ships were detained in British ports in June and held for up to 18 days until their defects had been remedied. Most were general cargo or bulk vessels, but two, the Liberian-registered *Mundogas America* and the Malta-registered *Kapitan Luca*, were gas carriers.

Dr Brian Mawhinney, the Transport Secretary, said that the list should be seen as a clear signal that defective ships were not welcome in British waters.

One ship, the 2,937-tonne *Fofi*, sailing under the Cypriot flag, was found to have a hole 25ft long and 18in wide in her hull above the waterline when she docked at Newport, Gwent. The ship, one of 146 detained in British ports so far this year by the Marine Safety Agency, had several engine-room fire detectors broken.

Last year 174 ships were detained, a significant increase on the 17 vessels that were forced to make repairs before being allowed to sail again in 1987. Other faults on the 17 ships named on the first list included lifeboats that could not be launched, faulty fire-fighting and radio equipment, crew shortages, defective navigational aids, fractures in weathertight steel covers and holes in air pipes.

Dr Mawhinney said: "The lives of seafarers are threatened and the UK coast is put at risk as long as sub-standard ships trade in our waters.

"Detention is a powerful deterrent. I have no doubt that regular publication of the list of detentions reinforces the emphasis we place on effective port state control in our fight against unsafe ships."

Six of the vessels detained, he said, had structural defects. Six had significant defects in their life-saving equipment and three had faulty fire-fighting equipment. "The world's flag states should be in no doubt that we are determined that they should ensure that their vessels comply with the international conventions they have signed," he said.

The decision to shame flag carriers, their owners and classification societies by making public the names of offending ships reflects recommendations in the report to the Government by Lord Donaldson of Lymington, who chaired the inquiry after the *Braer* oil spillage off the Shetlands last year.

Lord Donaldson said he was surprised and alarmed by the number of incidents around Britain's coast that could have led to severe pollution during the 14 months in which his inquiry sat.

Commenting on defects in ships, his report said: "If, instead of ships, the inspections had been of aircraft, there would have been a public outcry. The situation should be no more acceptable in the maritime field."

Senior Transport Department officials said yesterday that one of their main concerns was the tremendous effort being made by Russia and other former eastern bloc countries to capture a share of the world's shipping market. One official said: "They are excited by the opportunities but are tempted to cut corners in order to get a share of the market."

The detained ships carried the flags of Russia, India, Cyprus, Morocco, Antigua and Barbuda, Panama, Vanuatu, Germany, Greece, Liberia, Honduras, Malta and the Netherlands Antilles. Syrian- and Cuban-registered ships are traditionally among the worst offenders, but none were detained in June.

DAN BURGEN



Chris Smith takes the air in Parliament Square yesterday to measure the amount of noxious fumes

Opposition urges DIY smog tests

BY A STAFF REPORTER

CLEAN air enthusiasts were urged by Labour yesterday to carry out DIY smog tests to step up pressure for tougher pollution controls.

Chris Smith, the shadow Environment Secretary, said simple kits could be bought for £10 and used to measure nitrogen dioxide, the car exhaust gas linked with asthma and breathing difficulties. He stepped into Parliament Square wearing a smog mask to launch Labour's Airwatch campaign and demonstrate the use of a "diffusion tube" to gauge levels of the gas.

Warm and sultry weather leads to a blanket of air forming above the ground, causing a build-up of noxious fumes often well above internationally recognised health guidelines.

Labour is urging local councils and residents' organisations to apply pressure on the Government by taking their own readings. Mr Smith said a diffusion tube was available from laboratory suppliers.

He said: "Monitoring should be made a statutory duty for local authorities."

Most oil pollution 'deliberate'

BY JOHN YOUNG

THE biggest threat to sea birds and marine life comes not from accidents involving oil tankers but from the deliberate dumping of oil, chemicals and other waste from ships, according to a new report.

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds estimates that nearly three quarters of all oil pollution at sea is deliberate. In a single month, January this year, 52 incidents affecting several thousand birds were reported around the coast of Britain.

Oil fuels the world's economies and accounts for nearly half of all seaborne trade, the RSPB report says. But concern is growing about ageing tanker fleets, unseaworthy ships and poorly trained crews. Dramatic and shocking as they are, tanker accidents account for only 10 per cent of the oil in our seas.

It is legal and costs nothing for ships to dump certain amounts of waste oil at sea. Although it is illegal to dump oil within 12 nautical miles of the coast, in practice this is difficult to police and there are many offenders.

Facilities for waste disposal in ports are often inadequate, overpriced, and involve long waiting times. The RSPB says ports and harbours should adopt a "green" policy with better facilities. Services should be cheap and quick to encourage safe dumping.

Among the seabirds particularly at risk are guillemots and razorbills. Their feathers are crafted into natural diving suits that are warm and waterproof, but oiling penetrates the feathers, destroying insulation and waterproofing; those birds that do not die of cold drown or perish through swallowing oil.

☐ *Cleaner Seas, Safer Birds* (RSPB, The Lodge, Sandy, Bedfordshire SG19 2DL. Tel 0767 680551)

M-reg rush clears car dealers' stocks

BY KEVIN EASON, MOTORING CORRESPONDENT

DEMAND for new M-registration cars has outstripped supply forcing Rover and Ford to increase production at their factories.

Thousands of motorists have been told they may have to wait weeks for delivery of their cars and those wanting high performance or luxury cars face waits of up to four months. But Ford and Rover say they are unable to meet demand immediately as their plants are on holiday.

Ford is planning to run its Fiesta production line at Dagenham, Essex, at full speed as soon as workers return next week, producing 3,500 cars a week. Rover plans a weekly output of 1,900 cars a week at its Longbridge plant near Birmingham from August 15. Stocks of its Metro Rio and Rio Grande versions have almost sold out.

The gap between supply and demand seems to have come from industry forecasts which indicated that registrations of new cars were so strong that August would not be a huge blip in the sales charts. The Retail Motor Industry Federation had forecast an August sale of about 445,000, but revised its forecast upwards at the end of last month after dealers reported a surge in orders.

Registrations in July fell for the first time in seven months, a sign that many buyers were waiting for August. Dealers are thought to have sold more than 120,000 cars in the first 24 hours of M-day on Monday.

With new customers still going to showrooms, dealers are warning that they cannot get some models.

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Referees turn to optician

BY PAUL WILKINSON

RUGBY referees, perhaps responding to cries of "get a pair of specs, ref" from the touchline, have signed a one-year sponsorship deal with an optician.

In exchange for £750-worth of jerseys, Kevin Thompson, who sells spectacles in Alnwick, Northumberland, will see his firm publicised by 50 referees every time they officiate at rugby union matches in the county next season.

The deal was arranged by Bill Gould, of the Northumberland Rugby Referees' Society, who said: "Judging by the comments we get, it was either going to be an optician we approached or the Child Support Agency."

Mr Thompson is working on an appropriate logo.

Drawings see the light after 30 years

A COLLECTION of drawings, unseen for more than 30 years, has gone on show at Phillips in London prior to exhibition in the West Country (John Shaw writes).

The group of 80 studies ranges from Old Masters and their followers to Constable and Augustus John. It has come from the de Pass collection at the Royal Cornwall Museum, Truro.

Alfred de Pass (1861-1953), who was born into a wealthy shipping and mining family in Cape Town but whose ancestors came from Norfolk, gave up business when he was 46 and devoted himself to collecting. He spent every summer in Falmouth and made gifts to Truro Museum regularly from 1914 to 1947.

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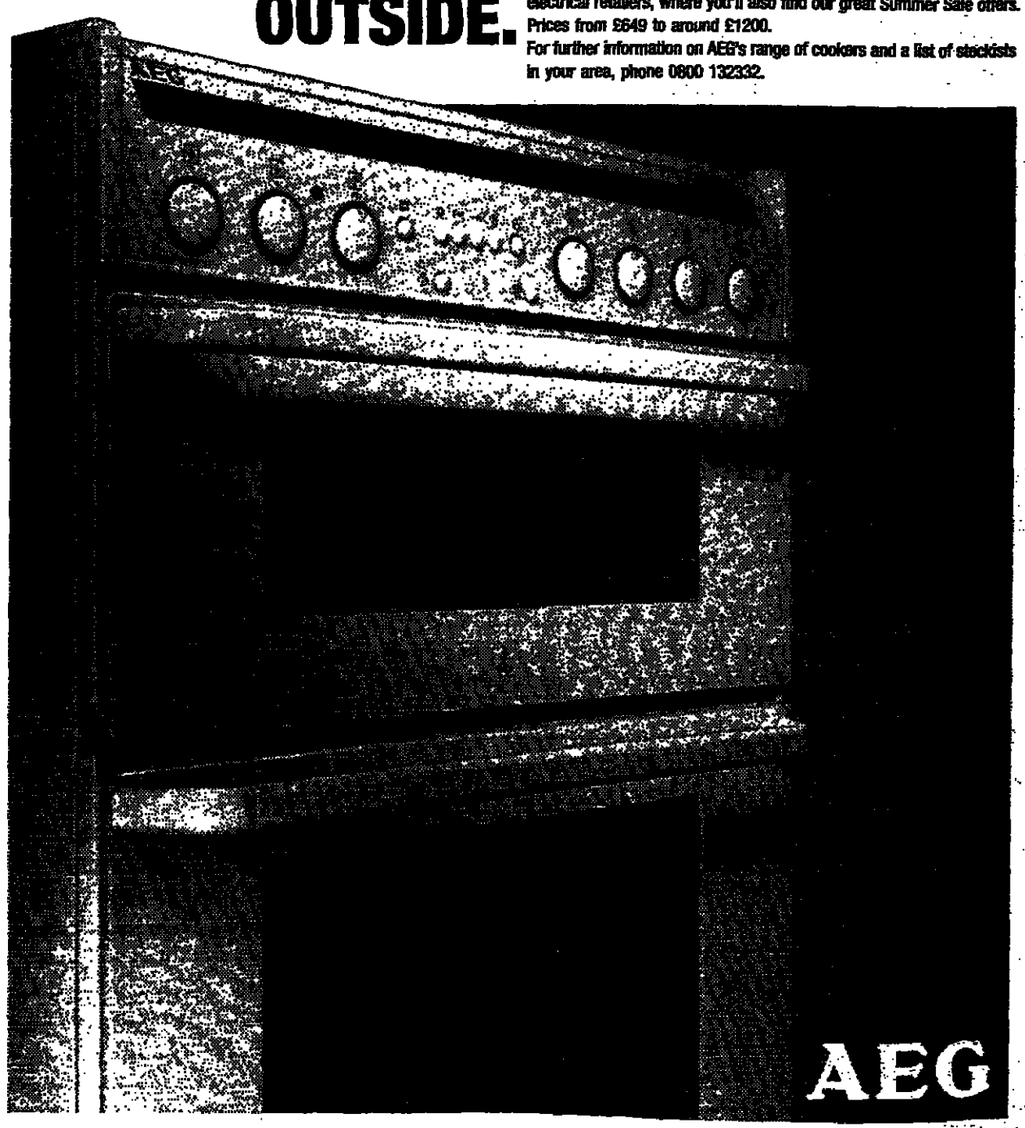
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MICHAEL POWELL

The Queen Mother waving to crowds outside Clarence House with the Prince of Wales, her great-grandsons and Cdr Tim Laurence, husband of the Princess Royal

Thousands greet Queen Mother on birthday stroll

BY ALAN HAMILTON

QUEEN Elizabeth the Queen Mother delighted a crowd of several thousand wellwishers on her 94th birthday yesterday with a 45-minute walkabout to receive greetings and gifts.

She looked frail and leaned heavily on a walking stick, but smiled constantly while walking the length of the packed street outside her London home, Clarence House, and stepped briefly into The Mall where hundreds more had gathered. The Queen Mother even stopped to sip champagne from a plastic cup proffered by red-coated toastmasters.

Dozens of children were shepherded by police to hand over flowers, cards and balloons.

In the front of the crowd were the familiar faces of the fans who turn up at every royal walkabout, some of whom had camped overnight. Eric Dunnington, a fire-eater from Brixton, south London, presented his traditional birthday cake in peach and orange icing. Some expressed disapproval of the official birthday portrait by Lord Snowdon, published in *The Times* yesterday. Norman Williams, from Wrexham, said: "It makes her look very lined; the smile is nice but the rest is not right."

The Corps of Drums of the 2nd Battalion, Grenadier Guards, played *Happy Birthday To You*, drawing lusty singing from the crowd. A 41-gun salute was fired in Hyde Park and a 62-gun salute at the Tower of London.

As is traditional on the Queen Mother's birthday, her family came to lunch in force. The Queen led the guests, who included the Prince of Wales with Princes William and Harry, Prince Edward, the Duke of York, Princess Margaret, the Princess Royal, Viscount Linley and Princess Alexandra.

☐ Channel 4 is to screen a documentary on Sunday about Sir Arthur Harris, head of Bomber Command, despite the concern of the Queen Mother and complaints from at least 100 Second World War veterans. The programme alleges that Britain deliberately concealed from Canadian servicemen a policy of targeting civilian areas in saturation bombing raids.

Monitor will alert surgeons when patients are waking

BY JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

A WARNING device to alert doctors when patients start to wake up during surgery could be in use within three years, researchers said yesterday.

Teams in Cambridge, London and Glasgow are working on a monitor which would detect when patients start to come round from the anaesthetic so that they could be given extra drugs.

Earlier this week Norman Dalton, a 55-year-old electrician, won £9,000 compensation from Leeds General Infirmary after waking during heart surgery. He was aware of what was happening but was paralysed and unable to alert medical staff.

A Royal College of Anaesthetists report last month suggested that 7,750 people became conscious during surgery each year and 250 felt their bodies being opened and their organs manipulated.

Dr Rajesh Munglani, clinical lecturer in anaesthetics at Cambridge University, said: "We have monitors showing us the patient's blood pressure, heart rate and oxygen level but nothing to show whether they are asleep or not. It is like flying an aeroplane without knowing how high you are."

Anaesthetists rely on indirect signs such as a rise in blood pressure or heart rate, or an increase in sweating, to tell when a patient is coming round, but these are not always reliable. The new monitors make a noise in the patient's ear and measure its effect on the brain waves, recorded by an electro-encephalogram.

The Cambridge team, led by Professor Gareth Jones, have used psychological tests to link the changes in the brain wave pattern with different levels of awareness. "We have shown for the first time that particular changes in the brain are linked with a particular psychological performance, such as thinking or remembering," Dr Munglani said.

"The problem is that we are working with very small signals which have to be picked up and analysed by the machine so there is a time delay. It is no good waiting five minutes to find out whether the patient was awake." The team is working on shortening the processing time.

The problem of patients waking during surgery began with the introduction of muscle relaxants in the 1940s. Their use was a major advance because it kept the patient still, allowing surgeons to perform more complex and delicate operations, and reduced the need for high doses of anaesthetic, which had led to many deaths.

However, as lighter doses of anaesthetic were used, more patients began to wake. In the 1960s about 3 per cent of patients had some recollection of their operation. Today the figure is nearer one in 1,000.

Barbecue fire mother to have skin graft

A WOMAN who gave birth while being treated in hospital after she was set alight at a barbecue is due to have a skin graft operation today.

Susan Guest, 30, gave birth ten weeks early because of the trauma of her injuries. Yesterday the condition of her baby, Franklin, who is in an incubator, improved slightly but Mrs Guest was put back on a ventilator.

Her husband, John, 38, said: "It is a bit of a setback but she is in good hands. Sue is a real fighter and I'm sure she will pull through."

Mrs Guest, of Downend, Bristol suffered horrific burns after a barbecue exploded in her face as she poured methylated spirits onto it two weeks ago. Doctors performed an emergency Caesarian operation after she went into labour last week.

Yesterday Franklin, who weighed 3lb at birth, was in the special care baby unit at Southmead Hospital in Bristol. His mother is five miles away at Frenchay Hospital in a critical condition.

Mrs Guest is expected to remain in hospital for four months and will undergo several operations. She has not yet seen her son.

Mr Guest said yesterday that doctors were optimistic that they would be able to carry out a skin graft operation on his wife today.

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Families cut spending as job fears prompt domestic thrift

BY RICHARD FORD
HOME CORRESPONDENT

FAMILIES reined in their spending last year despite having more money in their pockets, according to a government survey published today.

After trying to spend away the gloom of recession in the previous year, households reacted to long-term worries over jobs by drastically cutting back on buying.

In spite of overall income rises of 2.9 per cent in 1993, households preferred to hang on to their cash with average weekly spending increasing by 1.8 per cent. In 1992 spending went up by 2.3 per cent while income rose by 1.4 per cent.

Average weekly expenditure rose from £272 to £277 between 1992 and 1993 with average gross weekly incomes going up from £343 to £353. The figures also show that one-parent families have seen their income drop from £164 a week to £153.

Family Spending, an annual survey of the spending habits of 7,000 households, discloses how the public spends its cash on shopping or leisure activities.

The biggest slice of weekly expenditure went on food with a 4.8 per cent increase to £50, while housing costs fell 5.3 per cent to £44.80. However, the proportion spent on food continued a long-term decline from just over 33 per cent in 1957 to 18 per cent last year. The proportion spent on housing rose from 8.7 per cent in 1957 to 16.2 per cent last year. On clothing it fell from 10.2 per cent to 6.3 per cent.

An average £43.20 a week was spent on motoring and fares (up 0.9 per cent); £38.50 on household goods and services (up 9.1 per cent); £17.40 on clothing and footwear (up 6.2 per cent); £11 on personal goods (up 8.4 per cent); £11.90 on alcohol (up 8 per cent) and £5.60 on tobacco (up 3.9 per cent).

The top 20 per cent of households have an average gross weekly income of £823 compared with the poorest 20 per cent who have £76. The highest earners spent £84 on motoring, 20 times more than households in the lowest income group. They also spent £42 a week on clothing, almost 11 times as much as the poorest (£3.90).

The survey, published by the Central Statistical Office, highlights the slow growth in the proportion of income coming from investments, pensions and annuities. During the past 30 years the proportion of income coming from salaries and wages has fallen from 76 per cent to 65 per cent while the proportion from social security benefits rose from 9 to 14 per cent, and the proportion from annuities and private pensions has doubled to 6 per cent.

The survey shows that 68.6 per cent of homes have a car compared with 36.6 per cent in 1964, 82.5 per cent have central heating compared with 7 per cent then. 99 per cent of homes have a refrigerator, 89 per cent a washing machine and almost three-quarters have a video recorder.

Almost one in five homes has two cars, but in the East Midlands and southeast England, apart from Greater London, the figures is a quarter.

In the North more households had a microwave than in any other region with 66 per cent compared with 55.5 per cent in Northern Ireland, the lowest figure.

☐ *Family Spending* (Stationery Office, £25)

East Anglians save their pennies

THRIFTY East Anglians save and invest more on average per week than households in any region of the United Kingdom and spend the lowest amount on repaying loans.

They also emerge, on average, as the low spenders on hotels, holidays and cigarettes, but spend the most on hairdressing and beauty treatment.

Households in East Anglia pay an average £23.35 per week to life assurance and pension schemes compared with the lowest £13.55 in the North. They also spend the highest on Christmas clubs, at £6.67 compared with £1.82 on average per week in the east Midlands.

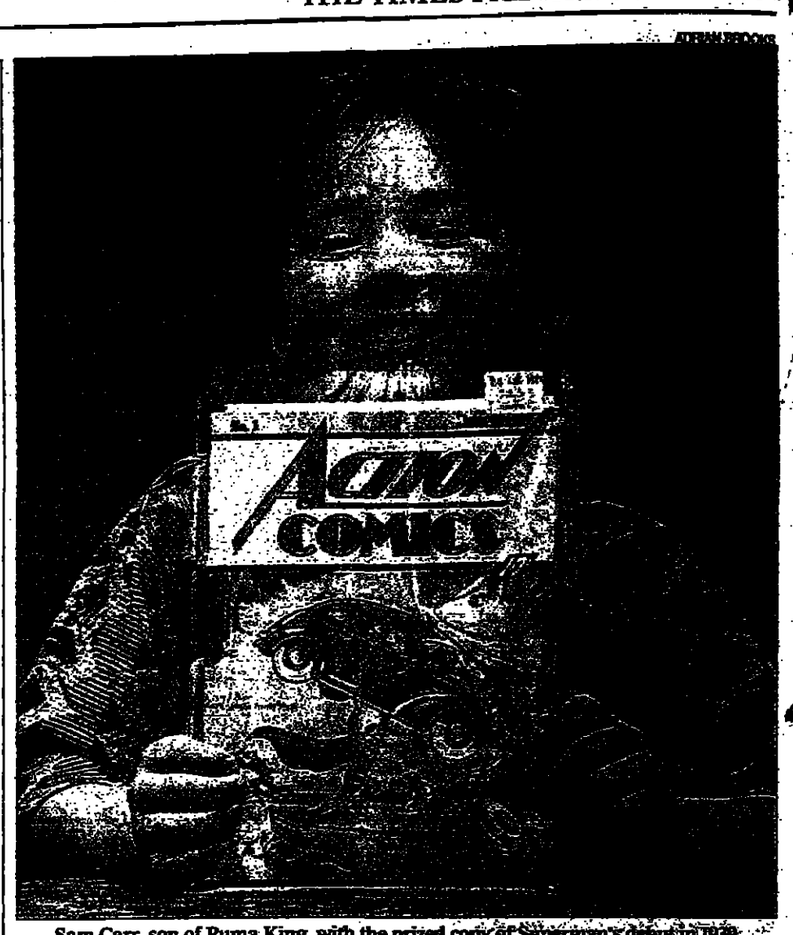
East Anglian households spend the lowest, at 45p per week on average, on repaying loans to clear debt compared with the highest of £1.60 on average per week in Greater London.

East Anglian households spend an average £7.37 on hotels and holiday per week compared with £10.30 in Yorkshire and Humberside, £11.97 in the North West and £14.12 in Greater London.

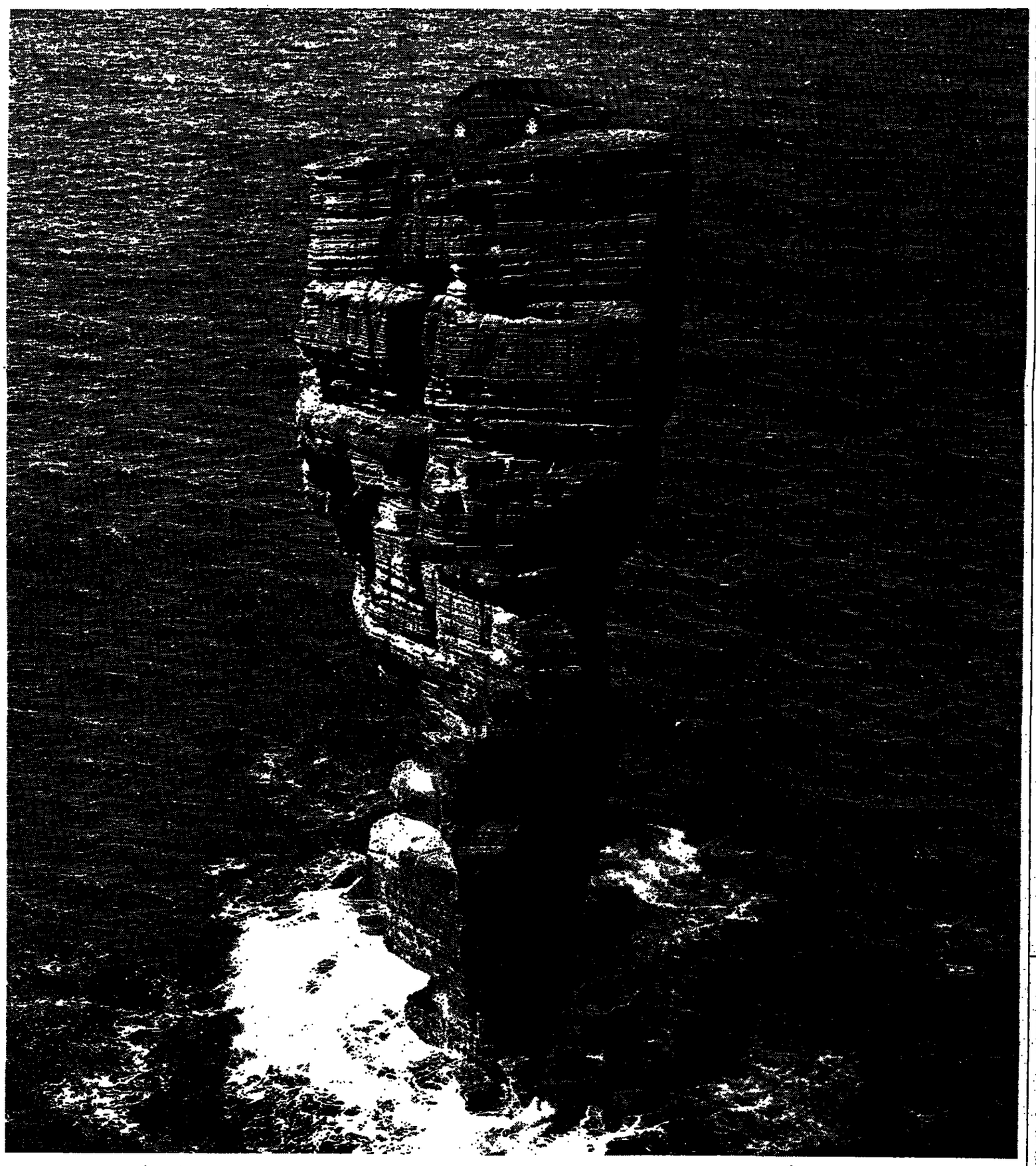
Average weekly spending on cigarettes was £3.27 a week in East Anglia households compared with the highest of £7.35 in Scotland, followed by £6.64 a week in Yorkshire and Humberside.

On average households in Yorkshire and Humberside spent £9.52 a week on beer and cider compared with £4.84 in East Anglia and £5.14 in Greater London.

Northern Ireland's love affair with staple fare is highlighted by its residents' spending more money per week on average on biscuits and cakes, beef and veal, uncooked bacon and ham than any other region.



Sam Carr, son of Puma King, with the prized copy of Superman's debut in 1939



Gavel Man KOs ageing superhero

BY ROBIN YOUNG

THE Puma King downed Superman yesterday and completed a trio of triumphs in which he captured three of the world's greatest superheroes. Wearing a T-shirt with the Puma King emblem and a silhouette of a large leaping cat, the newest arrival on the superhero scene was the anonymous bidder who snapped up the priciest item sold in Christie's first auction of comics.

He paid £14,527.50 (including buyer's premium and VAT) for a copy of Action Comics No 1, dated June 1938, which featured the first appearance of Superman.

Following the example of his comic-book heroes, Puma King hid his true identity. He did say, however, that in real life he was aged 37 and was "a manager in the telecommunications industry". No shame in that. Superman was really a newspaper reporter, and Batman the chosen disguise of a wealthy young man turned crime-fighter.

The boy wonder who accompanied Puma King at the sale, his son Sam, 8, did let out that their family name was Carr. Mr Puma King Carr said that his comic collection would provide Sam's inheritance, but Sam said he preferred the X-Men.

The Puma King, though, purred with quiet pride that he now owned the comic book debuts of Superman, Batman and the Amazing Spiderman.

Another copy of Batman's premier issue failed to reach its reserve when bidding stopped at £22,000. Its vendor, Duncan McAlpine, a BBC-TV producer who compiles the British price guide to comic books, had hoped it would fetch £50,000 and set a new European record, but Auctioneer Man — also known as James Collingridge of Christie's — was struggling on his third day before.

Auctioneer Man had his work cut out getting Britons to part with thousands of pounds on booklets that originally cost a dime. Perhaps he should have tried wearing his underpants outside the trousers of his neat grey suit.

Savour the summer

BY SIMON BAKER

FISH continues to be the bargain buy with trout, prawns and a variety of white fish on offer at low prices, but the week's best buy is bass.

White wines, ideal with fish and outdoor meals, show seasonal reductions. Advertised best buys include:

ASDA: fresh sage and onion chicken, 89p/lb; cauliflower, 29p each; green melon, 79p.

Budgens: roast chicken, 99p/lb; Cruzares Vino de Mesa Bianco, £2.59 (1 litre).

Co-op: John West tuna steaks, 55p; frozen mini corn on the cob, 99p.

Gateway: tiger king prawns, £1.99/113g; turkey on the bone, 75p/¼ lb; Bordeaux Blanc, £1.79.

Harrods: large pink trout, £2.50/lb; sea trout, £5.50/lb.

Iceland: plain cod fillets, £1.99; spring greens, 49p; lettuce, 19p; loose tomatoes, 49p.

Marks and Spencer: frozen prawns, £1.99/200g; summer fruit pudding, £1.99.

Safeway: cooked turkey breast with peppers, 79p/¼lb; 6 choc-ice bars, 89p.

Sainsbury's: fresh standard chicken, £2.19/2lb 14oz; haddock portions, £1.99; petit fromage frais, £1.85.

Tesco: cod fillet, £1.83/lb; salmon steaks, £3.45/lb; punnet of 6 peaches, £1.29; Cabernet Sauvignon, £2.19.

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KEENE on CHESS

BY RAYMOND KEENE
CHESS CORRESPONDENT

Joint leaders

After three rounds of the British Championship, in progress in Norwich, eleven players are sharing the lead with 2.5 points. This group includes grandmaster William Watson of London, grandmaster Mark Hebden of Leicester, grandmaster Paul Motwani of Perth as well as international masters Keith Arkell, Chris Ward, Michael Hennigan and James Howell.

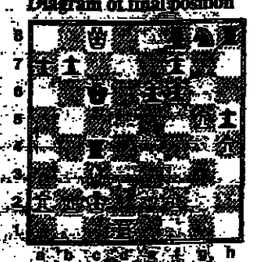
The following win helped James Howell on his way into the leading group.

White: James Howell
Black: Andrew Ledger
British Championship, 1994

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3	Nc3	Qa5
4	d4	Nf6
5	Nf3	c6
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7	h3	Bh5
8	g4	Bg6
9	Bc4	Qb6
10	Qe2	e6
11	0-0-0	Nbd7
12	h4	h5
13	g5	Ng8
14	d5	cxd5
15	Nxd5	Qd8
16	Ne5	Bxc2
17	Kxc2	Nxe5
18	Qxe5	Bg6
19	Bc3	Rxh4
20	Nf6+	gxf6
21	Rxd8+	Kxd8
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BATTLEFIELDS OF BRITAIN: DAY 5

NEWBURY 1643 AND 1644

Bloody crossroads

BY JOHN YOUNG

NEWBURY is unique in having two Civil War battlefields. If the Transport Department has its way there will soon be little left of either, as much of the remaining open land will be swallowed up by a north-south bypass.

Six centuries ago Donnington Castle was built on a hill just north of the Berkshire town to control the strategic crossing point of the main roads from London to the West Country and from the Midlands to the Hampshire ports. Newbury has continued to profit from its location, with the M4 passing a couple of miles to the north.

Just over 340 years ago Newbury bestrode the route that the Earl of Essex, Captain-General of the Parliamentary army, was obliged to take in withdrawing from Gloucester to London. The pursuing Royalists chose it as an ideal point at which to overtake and intercept the enemy, and by the morning of September 20, 1643, Prince Rupert's army was drawn up to the south-west of the town, barring the way to the east.

The Prince had, however, failed to occupy the important Round Hill and, in attempting to capture it, his cavalry were impeded by enclosures and hedges. The engagement, which might have proved decisive, ended inconclusively with the Royalists withdrawing to Oxford and the Parliamentarian troops continuing to London.

Just over a year later, fresh from a successful campaign in the West Country, King Charles I marched his forces east towards London, intending to relieve his besieged garrisons at a number of strongholds, including Donnington. He secured a good position between the Kennet and Lambourn rivers, although his army was outnumbered and later outflanked by the Parliamentarians.

The latter, however, confused by a divided command stucture, were unable to press home their advantage and both sides retired at nightfall, each believing that it had come off the worse.

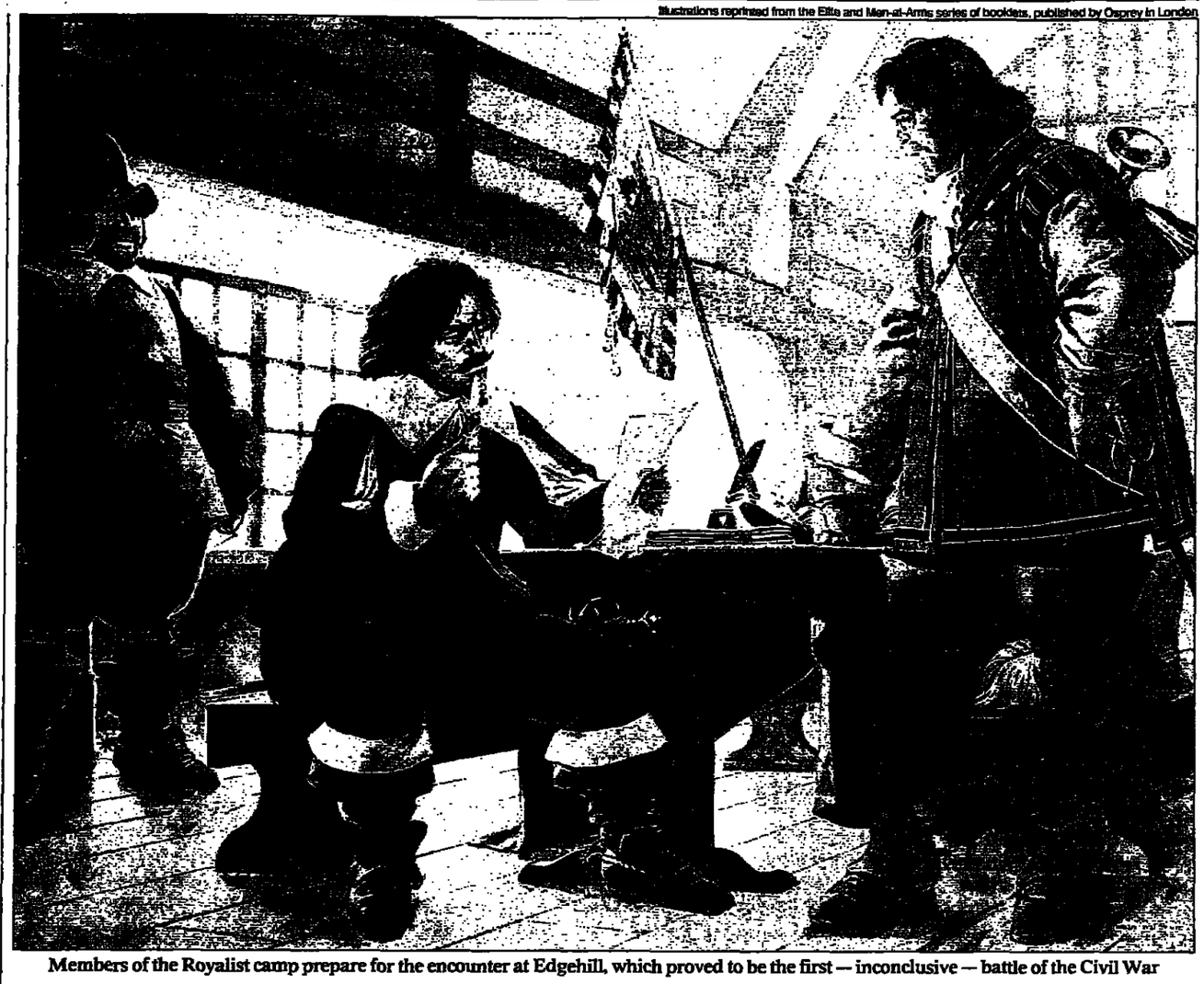
The site of the first battle is partly hidden by modern housing, but the Falkland Monument, maintained by the National Trust, is dedicated to the memory of "those who fell fighting in the Army of King Charles on the field of Newbury, and especially of Lucius Cary, Viscount Falkland, who died here in the thirty-fourth year of his age. This monument is set up by those to whom the majesty of the Crown and the liberties of their country are dear."

A few hundred yards to the west the farmland is surrounded by barbed wire and notices forbidding access. There is a public footpath but it becomes impenetrable after a short distance.

The second battle site is best viewed from the peaceful ruins of Donnington Castle, which is maintained by English Heritage. Anti-road protesters claim that the view will be ruined by the bypass, which will destroy two sites of special scientific interest, cross an area of outstanding natural beauty and pass within 600 yards of the castle.

☐ *The site of the first battle at Newbury is approached from the Falkland Monument on the A343 to Andover. For the second site, take the A34 from Oxford and follow the signs for Donnington Castle.*
Accommodation: *Among the many good hotels in the Newbury area are the Donnington Valley (0635 551199) on the old Oxford road, and Millwaters (0635 528838), a Georgian house with the Kennet and Lambourn flowing through the grounds.*
Further reading: *McNair-Wilson,* ***Battle for a Kingdom,*** *Battlefields Trust, 1992.*

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Members of the Royalist camp prepare for the encounter at Edgehill, which proved to be the first — inconclusive — battle of the Civil War

EDGEHILL 1642

A Civil War draw

BY ALAN HAMILTON

WAR lives on at Edgehill, the first serious clash of arms in the Civil War. Much of this historic field between Banbury and Stratford-upon-Avon is now burrowed with bunkers, fenced with high wire and guarded by formidable notices warning the unwary to steer clear of Base Ammunition Depot, the largest arsenal of the present-day British Army.

Charles I could hardly have picked a better location from the spectator's point of view, choosing to offer battle to the Earl of Essex's Parliamentarians at the foot of a long, 300ft high ridge cloaked in woodland whose crest offers a superb panorama stretching for many miles beyond the scene of the action.

By 1642, differences between King and Parliament had become such that a resort to arms appeared inevitable, and forces were raised by both sides. There had already been minor skirmishing around Worcester. Two armies, each of some 14,000 men, were on the move through the Midlands, the King with 20 pieces of artillery and Essex with more than 30. They were unaware of each other's position until, it is said, their respective quartermasters met in the village of Wormleighton while foraging for supplies.

The King chose the strong defensive position at the foot of the ridge, and in a day of charge and counter-charge some 3,000 men were left dead or wounded, many at the hands of Prince Rupert's cavalry.

The Parliamentarians, drawn up on the plain in lines roughly marked by the small obelisk on the road from Edgehill to Kineton, between the two railway lines serving the ammunition dump, fared better with their pikemen and inflicted heavy losses once they had lured the Royalists off the slopes of the ridge. Battles of old were strictly daylight affairs, and by nightfall on October 23 1642 large numbers of both sides had begun to desert the field. Winter was approaching and both armies were minded to withdraw for the close season and prepare for what was now clearly going to be a long war between King and Parliament.

At the day's end neither army considered itself entirely defeated. The Parliamentarians fell back on Warwick, and the Royalists prepared to take the now open road to London.

There is little on the site to help with an interpretation of the battle of Edgehill, and a modest but good museum at Farnborough, north of Banbury, may be forced to close because of the recent death of its owner.

But all is not lost. On the crest of the ridge, in the hamlet of Edgehill, is a memorably peculiar public house, the Castle Inn, housed in a castellated folly of 1747 which has nothing to do with the battle, having been built as an estate gatehouse more than a century later. However John Blann, the landlord, offers a magnificent view of the battlefield from his terrace and a potted history of events.

☐ *Edgehill hamlet is off the A422 Banbury to Stratford-upon-Avon road. The B4086 from Edgehill to Kineton crosses the battlefield.*
Accommodation: *On the edge of Stratford-upon-Avon is the 3-star Pheasant Country Hotel at Charlecote (0789 470333). Recommended B&B at Willowbrook House, Lighthorne Road, Kineton (0926 640475).*
Further reading: *Sherwood,* **Civil War in the Midlands,** *(Alan Sutton 1992); Tennant,* **Edgehill and Beyond,** *(Alan Sutton 1992).*

NASEBY 1645

Lesson to men and monarchs

BY ALAN HAMILTON



Detail from engraving of battle at Naseby

JUST outside the village of Naseby is a memorial obelisk to the last major clash of arms of the Civil War. The inscription says the conflict left "a useful lesson to British kings never to exceed the bounds of their just prerogative, and to British subjects never to swerve from the allegiance due to their legitimate monarch". It does not, however, mention the Transport Department.

More than 300 years after Royalists faced Parliamentarians in a Northamptonshire field, battle was joined again between government and local residents when plans were published to drive the new M1-A1 dual-carriageway link across the site.

Argument raged at public inquiries over the precise location of the engagement, rarely a thing than can be established with great accuracy. The Government won that particular battle, and best available evidence suggests that the road, opened last month, separates Cromwell from his baggage train and cuts across Prince Rupert's charge to Naseby village.

No battle of the Civil War had a more definite outcome, and it effectively sealed the fate of King Charles. It was the first major engagement for the New Model Army under Sir Thomas Fairfax, which made up in numbers what it lacked in experience, fielding well over 13,000 men to the King's 9,000.

Prince Rupert's seasoned Royalist cavalry created much confusion among the Parliamentarian foot soldiers and swept much of the Roundhead cavalry from the field, but the day was turned by Cromwell himself, leading his squadrons in a spirited charge that put the Royalist horses to flight.

On the minor road out of Naseby village towards Sibbertoft is a monument marking the spot from which Cromwell launched his charge at the enemy foot soldiers, who were ranged along the low ridge to the north and deserted by their cavalry and even by their king, who had fled the field.

An information board explains the course of the battle. There is another by the obelisk, a mile out of Naseby village on the minor road to Clipston. Both locations are well signposted in the unspoilt and uncommercialised village, which, with its two public houses, is a suitable base camp from which to foray on to the field.

From the moment of Cromwell's charge, the King's cause was lost. Cromwell had lost barely 200 men, the Royalists nearly 1,000 with a further 4,500 captured. The Parliamentarians gave no quarter, chasing the remnants of the royalist force northwards from the field and seizing their baggage train. By sunset, it is said, there was a trail of bodies all the way to Leicester. Hundreds of bodies were gathered up and their bones placed in an ossuary in the large parish church in the nearby village of Rothwell.

The new road bisecting the field does not greatly detract from the scene, which otherwise is much the same undulating, lightly wooded country that existed on June 14, 1645. There is a small battle museum in the village, open only on Bank Holiday Sunday and Monday afternoons between Easter and September, but otherwise this quiet community makes no concessions to the tourist.

☐ *Naseby is easily reached from the new A14 M1-A1 link road at the Rothwell exit*
Accommodation: *The Three Swans at Market Harborough, seven miles away, is a 15th-century coaching inn (0858 466644). The Sun Inn is a two-star hotel at Marston Trussell, five miles away (0858 465531). Ample B&B in Market Harborough.*
Further reading: *Ashley,* ***The Battle of Naseby,*** *Alan Sutton 1992: Asquith,* ***The New Model Army,*** *Osprey 1981.*

The guide concludes with the last battles fought on English and Scottish soil — Sedgemoor and Culloden.

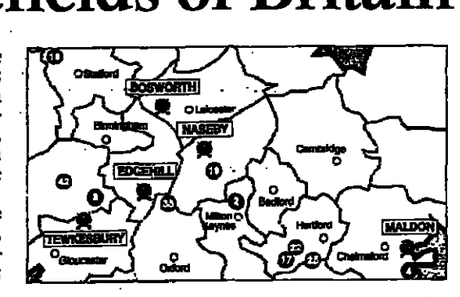
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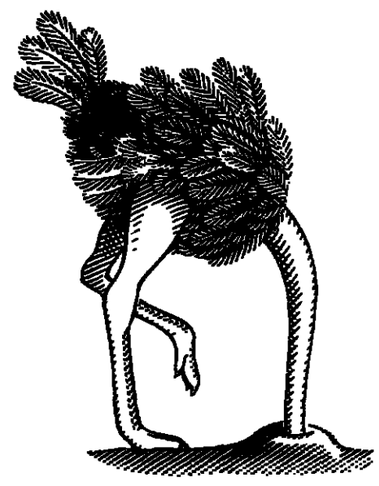
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'If they come back they will get medical help. There is life here. In Goma there is only death'

British advance party sets up health base on Rwanda border

FROM INIGO GILMORE IN RUHENGERI

AS THE dust-covered Land Rover at the head of the convoy swept into Ruhengeri, weary Rwandan refugees lining the road smiled and waved. The British soldiers waved back. "I think they are pleased to see us," said Captain Ian Johnson, his face breaking into a huge grin.

The British relief operation in Rwanda got under way yesterday when Captain Johnson, 40, operations officer for 23 Para Field Ambulance, led a reconnaisance mission to Ruhengeri, a roadside town in the north of Rwanda 30 miles from the Zairean border. The small party of British troops, who included the contingent's commanding officer, Lieutenant Colonel Michael Wharmby, and a group of British army doctors, went to inspect Ruhengeri hospital which will be the focal point of the Operation Gabriel over the next 12 weeks.

Etienne Afrika, 23, emerged from the crowd grinning broadly and told me that seeing the British at the hospital had filled him with inspiration. He explained that he had fled the town during the fighting and had just returned from Goma where his 15-year-old brother had been struck down with cholera.

He begged me to contact his parents and his seven brothers and sisters in the city to tell them there was now nothing to be afraid of and urge them to return. "If they come back to Ruhengeri they will be able to get medical help from the British," he said excitedly. "There is life here. In Goma there is only death."

Remarkably little damage was inflicted on Ruhengeri during the fighting and it largely avoided the gruesome massacres which swept across the country because there were so few Tutsi inhabitants. But lying on the road from Goma it has found itself overwhelemd by returning refugees who flow constantly through the town.

The goal of the British mission is to establish a corridor across the north of Rwanda, stemming from Ruhengeri, to provide medical assistance and sustenance for refugees to ensure their preservation and enable them to reach their homes as swiftly as possible. The objective of yesterday's visit was to lay the groundwork for the the deployment of a 40-strong advance medical team who are scheduled to arrive in Kigali at the weekend.

From a team 150 strong in total at least two surgical teams from 23 Para Field Ambulance, complete with anaesthetists and technicians, will be based at the hospital with a group of environmental health officers. The Red Cross will establish a dispensary on the site. The British hope to entice Rwandan doctors and nurses to join them. Ultimately they wish to ensure the hospital is restored to full working order by the time they leave.

The British team has the facilities to treat cholera and dysentery and can carry out amputations. But the main thrust of their work will be to provide basic heath care. Seven mobile medical units, consisting of one doctor and six paramedics will tour the area to provide on-the-spot treatment.



Hutu bandits, some armed with sticks, protect a sack of food aid looted from a Red Cross distribution centre at the Kibumba camp near Goma. Gangs of Rwanda's defeated Hutus are plundering weakened refugees and frustrating efforts to encourage their return

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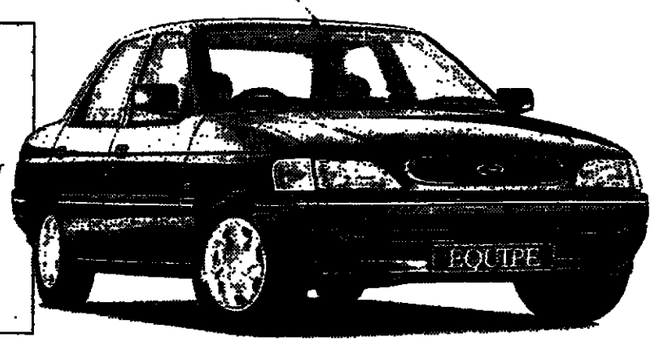


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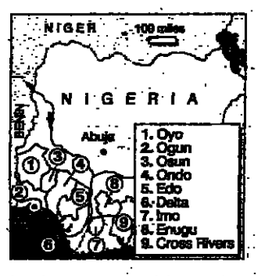
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Nigerian strike suspended to allow more talks

BY MICHAEL HAMLYN



THE general strike which has crippled industry, government and commerce in Lagos was suspended yesterday after a second day of disorder. Hundreds of armed riot police were on city streets throughout the day to disperse mobs lighting bonfires to close key routes into town. Shopkeepers, terrorised by machete-wielding youths, kept their shutters down.

For the first time, the strike closed international and domestic airports as air traffic controllers stayed away. Officials were expected to draft in air force controllers.

The strike was suspended by the 41-union National Labour Congress which said it was following a request by the military government "to allow for further negotiations under a free and fair atmosphere". Pascal Bafyau, the congress president, said all workers had been directed to report back to work.

Union leaders left for Abuja, the capital, for more negotiations. If those talks fail, the congress will consider reinstating the strike tomorrow, Mr Bafyau said.

The two-day strike was the latest effort by democracy protesters to compel the government to release Moshood Abiola, a Yoruba millionaire publisher, charged with treason. He is regarded as having won last year's presidential election, which was annulled. But regional differences in implementation of the strike has raised fears that economic chaos will bring renewed calls for secession. Nigeria suffered a three-year civil war when the eastern region declared itself independent as Biafra in 1967.

Members of the eastern Ibo tribe were a particular target of the machete mobs yesterday, as hooligans tried to loot their shops under the guise of protest. It was also clear that northern areas of the country were failing to join the strike, claiming that unionists there had not been given enough information about what they were striking for.

The *Tribune* newspaper, based in the southwest, said yesterday that local people were bound to wonder why the north and east had ignored the strike. "Dangerously," an editorial said, "the nation has moved from a crisis of Abiola insisting on the validity of the June 12 election to the general feeling of people in the southwest that a grand design exists among other tribes, particularly the Hausa-Fulani, to make its people irrelevant."

Arafat left in the shade by Husain

BY MICHAEL BINYON
DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

KING Husain's unprecedented low-level flight over Tel Aviv and Jerusalem on Wednesday gave the Jordanian monarch a unique opportunity to see the most visible symbol of his newly signed peace with Israel — al-Aqsa mosque and the Dome of the Rock, regilded at his personal expense and over which he maintains guardianship under the treaty terms.

The king's role as custodian of the Muslim holy shrines was agreed at talks with Yitzhak Rabin, the Israeli Prime Minister. But it has raised suspicions among Palestinians, who see it as diminishing their claim that east Jerusalem should be the capital of a Palestinian state. Israel and Jordan have little time or warmth for Yassir Arafat and are jointly infuriated by his posturings.

King Husain's warm relations with Israel also make it likely that he will beat Mr Arafat in the race to be the first to pray in Jerusalem. Mr Arafat has been pushing for an early visit to Jerusalem, but this has been opposed on the ground of security.

On Wednesday, however, a Palestine Liberation Organisation official confirmed that two members of the new Palestinian administration in Gaza and Jericho had secretly visited al-Aqsa mosque without co-ordinating their visits with Israel.



King Husain: likely to beat Arafat to Jerusalem

The new relationship between Jordan and Israel stands in contrast to the wary links between Palestinians and both Jerusalem and Amman. Senior Jordanians have expressed concern at the autocratic tendencies of Mr Arafat's administration.

Several senior Palestinians are also privately concerned at the arbitrary nature of Mr Arafat's rule; one senior Palestinian journalist has been sacked and his newspaper closed. But so far there has been little public criticism of the PLO leader, as Palestinians are eager to demonstrate their solidarity.

Protesters hope three-man parade to death cell will bring rethink on capital punishment

Appeal fails to prevent multiple execution in Arkansas

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN NEW YORK

THREE Arkansas murderers who killedas a team died by lethal injection one after another i America's first triple execution for 32 years.

Just hours before the multiple execution was to begin on Wednesday night, the US SupremeCourt rejected a last-minute appeal claiming the men were being slaughtered like animals. "This scheduled mass execution, by reducing human being to hogs at the slaughter, will exponentially increase the level of fear, uncertainty and psychological stress that someone condemned normally experiences,"the men said in their appeal

Hoyt Clines, 37, Darryl Richley, 43, and James Holmes, 37, were convicted of murdering an Arkansas businessman, Don Lehman, during a burglary in 1981. While his terrified family looked on, Lehman was beaten with a motorcycle chain and then shot to death after his home had been looted. "This is the kind of situation the death penalty was invented for," said prosecutor David Clinger, who witnessed the executions.

On the morning of the execution, an appeals court granted a temporary stay of execution to Holmes after he claimed he had been inadequately represented by his lawyer, but three hours later that verdict was overruled. Holmes's last words before death were a request that the assistant warden, Terry Clifford call him by his first name. A fourth man convicted, Michael Orndorff, 35, had his death sentence reduced to life imprisonment after a court ruled that testimony by the victim's daughter was induced by hypnosis and may have affected sentencing.

The three men were allowed to chose a last meal — shrimp for Clines, a cheeseburger for Holmes and a steak for Richley — before they were led, in turn, to the death chamber of Cummins Unit prison near Varner, Arkansas. Clines was the first to receive the injection of lethal drugs after declining to make a final statement. Less than an hour after he was pronounced dead, the execution gurney was wiped down and his accomplice, Richley, was strapped onto it as the executing wardens exchanged needles.

Richley's lawyer, Mark Cambiano, described the parade of executions as "inhumane as hell", adding that his client was taken by surprise when warders arrived with handcuffs to lead him to the death chamber. "He had a letter from his brother he was going to read. He had some religious affairs to take care of," Mr Cambiano said. Richley also remained silent during the injection.

Holmes, the last of the three convicted murderers, was led into the chamber after his predecessor was removed in a black body bag. He was pronounced dead at 9.24 pm, less than half an hour later.

At clemency hearings last week, Lehman's widow, who was tortured by the condemned men before her husband was killed, urged the review panel to carry out the death sentences. "Those murderes took everything from us. It's time for justice to be done," Virginia Lehman said.

America's last triple execution took place in the gas chamber at San Quentin prison in 1962, but before that multiple executions were commonplace. In 1951 Virginia sent eight men to the electric chair at the same time.

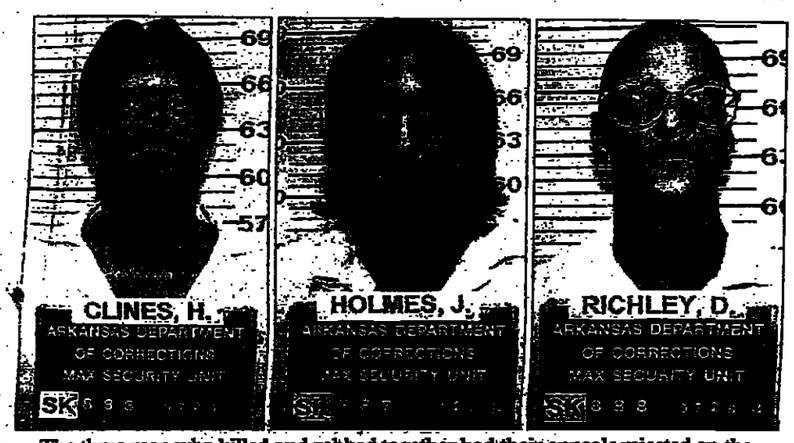
The Arkansas prison authorities defended the multiple execution, claiming it saved overtime pay and reduced stress on jail employees. "Nobody wants to get up in the morning and go kill somebody. There's a lot of tension involved," Correction Department spokesman Alan Ables said. "They were involved in the same crime, their appeals were denied on the same day. It made sense to have the executions on the same day," said Assistant Attorney-General Olan Reeves.

A total of 249 executions (half of them by lethal injection) have been performed in America since the Supreme Court allowed capital punishment to resume in 1976, and critics of the death penalty say the Arkansas triple execution is grim proof of the accelerating execution rate. A Bill pending in Congress would expand the federal death penalty to include 50 more crimes. The number of executions in America has increased steadily over the last 18 years, from just one in 1977 to 38 last year.

But death penalty opponents, such as Sister Helen Prejean, hope that the spectacle of the Arkansas triple execution may shock America and Congress into re-examining the issue of capital punishment. "There's no way to clean this up, to make it pretty," Sister Prejean said.



Members of Hoyt Clines' family grieving near Cummins prison at Varner, Arkansas, just before he and his accomplices were executed



The three men who killed and robbed together had their appeals rejected on the same day and died in an Arkansas death chamber by injection on the same day

NEWS IN BRIEF

Mystery virus kills lions in Serengeti

Nairobi: A disease that gives lions convulsions has killed 85 of the animals since March in Tanzania's Serengeti park.

A parks official said it was believed that canine distemper virus was responsible for the deaths. There are about 3,000 lions in Serengeti. *(Reuter)*

Indian first

Delhi: A man, 43, has been given a woman's heart in what is believed to be the first successful transplant operation in India. *(Reuter)*

Back from dead

Manila: George Ramos filed £256,000 suits against two newspapers for publishing libellous death notices. They were placed as a prank. *(AP)*

Hope for emus

Perth: Rain in Western Australia relieved the threat to drought-stricken emus, which have been dying on an anti-vermin fence. *(Reuter)*

Cocaine scam

Bogotá: Thirty policemen at Bogotá's airport have been accused of helping cocaine couriers to thwart airport security for cash. *(Reuter)*

Legally binding

Sydney: An Australian weighing 386lb lost his claim that he was too large for a seatbelt. A court upheld a £62 fine with £500 costs. *(Reuter)*

Senior White House advisers divided over Haiti invasion

BY TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

THE Pentagon and State Departments are divided over whether to set a deadline for invading Haiti and are quarrelling openly about the morality of any American intervention despite winning approval for such an action from the United Nations.

At the same time, it emerged yesterday that five Latin American countries are considering a mission outside the framework of the UN Security Council to persuade Haiti's military leaders to resign.

The rift between the two Washington departments, simmering for several weeks, has now burst into the open with William Perry, the Defence Secretary, and Strobe Talbott, the Deputy Secretary of State, reportedly exchanging harsh words at a White House meeting of national security advisers this week.

Mr Perry is strongly opposed to any deadline that he feelswill leave the United States without any alternative if the Haitian junta does not step down. The Pentagon, always keen to avoid putting US troops in the firing line and spending taxpayers' money, is willing to explore any peaceful solution to the crisis, including offering the leadership the carrot of a comfortable life in exile. But Mr Talbott, the man behind the State Department's Haitian policy, wants an early invasion and says that any incentives to the junta — Lieutenant-General Raoul Cédras, the commander-in-chief, Colonel Michel Joseph François, the police commander, and General Philippe Biamby, the army chief of staff — was morally repugnant.

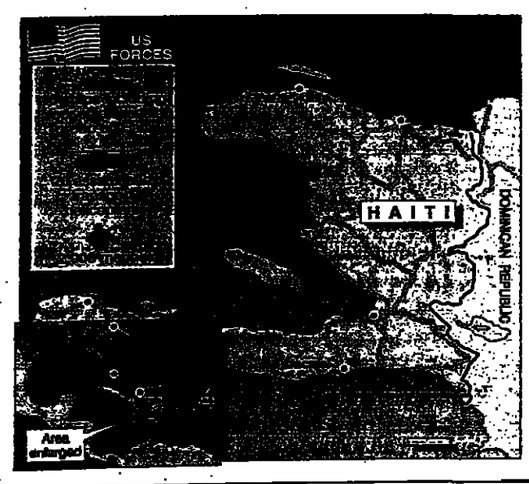
In a sign that the State Department is now fighting its corner, it issued a statement yesterday blaming the military for the continuing violence in Haiti. "That type of violence points precisely to the remedy that the United Nations has adopted," it said.

President Clinton, under pressure from the Senate to delay any invasion, reiterated the need for force as an option in his presidential news conference on Wednesday, but said it was "premature" to ask Congress for its authorisation. The Administration is considering several options to ensure the swift departure of the junta, but experts, including William Swing, the US Ambassador to Port-au-Prince, do not believe the men will leave. One plan is to send an envoy to give the three men a deadline and offer them safe passage to a third country. A second scheme would declare that they must step down or risk invasion, and the final course is to encourage the UN or another country to take the lead in easing them out.

Diplomats from Brazil, Argentina, Mexico, Venezuela and Uruguay, apparently uncomfortable with the prospect of an invasion, are trying to organise a mission to persuade the junta to leave peacefully.

There is little doubt that such a mission would dilute the strength of the message from the UN and, combined with the apparent indecision in Washington, can only send the wrong signals to the Haitian military.

In the strongest measure taken against foreign journalists in Haiti, the junta expelled a US television crew. They were to be driven yesterday to the land border with the Dominican Republic.



Iran troops put on alert after riots

FROM MICHAEL THEODOULOU IN NICOSIA

PRESIDENT Rafsanjani of Iran put his security forces on high alert yesterday after rioting swept through the industrial city of Qazvin for a second day in the country's worst unrest for two years.

At least four people were reported killed and dozens more wounded in clashes with club-wielding riot police whom residents accused of opening fire on the 30,000 demonstrators. Two thousand special anti-riot forces were airlifted from Tehran 90 miles away. More protests are planned for today.

"There is no certainty that today's protest will not become a tradition for tomorrow," said the state-run *Hamshari* newspaper, reflecting government fears that the rioting could spread.

The violence first erupted on Wednesday after a government proposal to create a new province, with Qazvin as its capital, was narrowly defeated by parliament. The demonstrators wanted Qazvin, a leading industrial city, to become the centre of a new province independent from neighbouring Zanjan. This would have meant more development aid directly from the central government.

Clinton's TV blitz hides healthcare retreat

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Clinton used only his third full-fledged prime-time news conference on Wednesday night to rally America's support for both his struggling presidency and a new compromise Health Care Bill that would not achieve the guaranteed universal insurance coverage he had previously demanded.

With his popularity at almost its lowest ebb and November's congressional elections looming, Mr Clinton trumpeted achievements ranging from deficit reduction and economic revival to expanded free trade and Middle East peace accords. He assured the millions of Americans watching on television: "We are making progress."

Mr Clinton predicted Congress would pass its healthcare legislation and a new $1 billion (£19.5 billion) anti-crime Bill this year, though not without big fights. He shrugged off both the Whitewater hearings and his slide in the polls, suggesting he lacked time to worry about either.

"I've got to get up every day and go to work and try to help the American people," he said, offering only cautious support for Roger Altman, the Deputy Treasury Secretary, who is facing demands for his resignation over Whitewater.

Mr Clinton promised more prime-time news conferences, and with good reason. He is highly articulate and excels in that format. Indeed on this occasion his silky words camouflaged a major retreat on healthcare reform before this month's climactic House and Senate votes.

In January's State of the Union speech, Mr Clinton vowed unequivocally to veto any legislation not guaranteeing universal coverage. On Tuesday, George Mitchell, the Senate's Democratic majority leader, introduced a Bill that aims to extend coverage to only 95 per cent of Americans by 2000 through subsidies and insurance industry reforms, leaving at least 14 million uninsured. Even Mr Mitchell admitted this fell short of the President's demand, but Mr Clinton nonetheless embraced the Bill, arguing it would eventually lead to universal coverage.

In reality, the Mitchell Bill offers the only realistic hope of pushing any legislation through a Senate that has all but rejected Mr Clinton's far more ambitious plan, but in endorsing it the President may have undermined his chances of getting legislation through the House. The House Bill devised by Richard Gephardt, the majority leader, would guarantee universal coverage by 1999 by requiring employers to pay 80 per cent of their employees' premiums. This "employer mandate" is extremely controversial.

The congressional debates are supposed to begin next week, with both houses being kept in session until they vote, and the results will be very close.

Mr Clinton, who is now engaged in an all-out sales blitz, urged Americans to urge their congressmen to support the two Bills, which he described as less bureaucratic and more flexible than his own unpopular plan. He accused the Republicans, now almost united in opposition, of putting partisan politics before the national interest.

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Milosevic sets up Socialist Party office in Bosnia with goal of toppling Karadzic

Belgrade bows to Moscow and cuts its protégé adrift

FROM JOEL BRAND IN SARAJEVO AND EVE-ANN PRENTICE

RUSSIAN pressure has proved crucial in forcing President Milosevic of Serbia to desert his former protégé, Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader. Moscow now seems to have isolated the *Bosnian Serbs from their patron in* Belgrade, with Mr Milosevic accepting the peace plan and threatening to break ties with the Bosnian Serbs if they do not do the same.

Russia maintained its stand against the Bosnian Serbs yesterday when Vitali Churkin, the Deputy Foreign Minister and special envoy to the former Yugoslavia, said that the leadership in Pale did not represent the larger Serb community.

"We believe that it is a general Serb issue, and therefore the Bosnian Serb parliament is not a forum that can make a definitive decision," Mr Churkin said.

Mr Milosevic has moved to set up his own Socialist Party organisation in Serb-held Bosnia in recent weeks and his appeal to Bosnian Serbs to turn their backs on their leader, Dr Karadzic, suggests that he now wants to assume leadership of the Bosnian Serbs.

In a statement which could mark the start of a new phase in the three-year-old bloody break-up of the former Yugoslavia, Belgrade announced harsh sanctions against the Bosnian Serb leadership it has nurtured and patronised. It said the action was meant to punish a leadership that "by rejecting peace, has committed the most serious act against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, the Serbian and Montenegrin people, and all citizens who live in these territories".

Late on Wednesday night, the Serbs rejected the five-nation Contact Group peace plan for Bosnia for the third time in a month. The plan would divide Bosnia roughly in half between the Serbs and the Muslim-Croat federation, but would keep the country as one legal entity, denying the Bosnian Serbs their own state.

One Serb leader, Momcilo Krajisnik, said after the session that accepting the plan "would be an invitation to suicide for the Serb people". They had reconsidered their rejection of the plan twice under pressure from the international community and Belgrade. Wednesday night's decision is to be ratified by a referendum on August 27 and 28.



The United Nations Security Council is expected to vote on new, tougher sanctions against Belgrade in the coming days if the Bosnian Serbs do not accept the plan. The Contact Group has also threatened the Serbs with the lifting of the arms embargo against the Bosnian government and punitive air strikes.

In what may be a sign of the destabilisation in the rump Yugoslavia, one person was killed and two wounded when a powerful bomb planted under a car exploded outside a luxury hotel in the Montenegrin resort of Budva yesterday.

Muslim rebels have meanwhile surrendered to Bosnian government troops in a besieged town in the northwest enclave of Bihac. Some 500 rebels under the local tycoon and breakaway leader, Fikret Abdic, were reported to have capitulated after a week-long onslaught on Pecigrad by Bosnian government Fifth Corps troops which also trapped up to 2,000 civilians.

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Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, during the debate on the Geneva partition plan

West forced to back its former foe as Serb turns on Serb

FROM MISHA GLENNY IN BELGRADE

INSECURITY and fear descended yesterday on Belgrade, only hours *after the Bosnian Serb parliament* snubbed President Milosevic and the government of Serbia by rejecting the Contact Group's Bosnian peace plan.

Queues began to form in front of banks as residents of the Serbian capital changed their dinars into marks. Some began buying stocks of flour and sugar. One of the most tense phases of the crisis has arrived as Serb is pitted against Serb.

"This war started in Serbia and it will end in Serbia" was a cliché heard throughout the former Yugoslavia three years ago. Whether the prophecy will be fulfilled or not is still open to question. But undeniably the decision by the Bosnian Serbs to hold a referendum on the *peace plan has brought the war* much closer to the Srbijanci, as the Serbs of Serbia are known.

If the international community now tightens sanctions against Serbia and Montenegro — and there is no reason to think that they will not — many in Serbia believe that the "super dinar", introduced earlier this year to halt hyper-inflation, will begin to collapse.

On Wednesday, Michael McCurry, the State Department spokesman, said that "Yugoslavia could still hope for the suspension of sanctions if they join other neighbouring countries in a blockade of Bosnian Serbs".

Yesterday Mr Milosevic announced that he was breaking off all relations with the Bosnian Serbs *except the supply of food, clothes* and medicine. "The Bosnian Serb leadership is acting on behalf of its own political aims and in the name of the war profiteers," thundered Mr Milosevic in his most savage attack on Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader. The struggle between Pale and Belgrade is now a fight to the death and either the President of Serbia or the President of the Bosnian Serbs will lose. Mr Milosevic is taking a big risk.

Firstly, if Serbia cuts all help to the Bosnian Serbs it also means an end to all help for the rebel Serbs in the Croatian Krajina (with the exception of Sector East, which borders Serbia). This means a possible end of a greater Serbia as both Croats and Muslims are likely *to take military advantage of the* weakened Serb periphery.

Secondly, there is some doubt that Mr Milosevic has enough support to impose a successful blockade. The merciless attacks on the Bosnian Serbs in the Serbian media have persuaded many Srbijanci that the time has come to support the peace plan. But Dr Karadzic's resistance to the plan is based on political calculation — his aim is nothing less than to bring down President Milosevic. With the exception of Vuk Draskovic and the small Civic Alliance, the opposition in Serbia has supported the Bosnian Serbs.

In addition, the mood inside the Yugoslav army is something of a mystery. Momcilo Perisic, its commander, *is an old friend of Ratko* Mladic, the Bosnian Serb army commander. Over the past two weeks Mr Milosevic has forced Mr Perisic to declare his loyalty to state policy, but rumours persist that the army chief cannot be relied on.

While Serbs on both sides of the River Drina intensified their internal struggles, fighting in Sarajevo and northern Bosnia between Muslims and Serbs has also increased.

Around the world, sympathy for the Bosnian Serbs — never high — has crashed through the floor. The Muslims are likely to seize this opportunity to try to turn the military balance, as yesterday's renewed Muslim offensives indicate. In retaliation, the Bosian Serbs seem prepared to hit Sarajevo *and other towns, UN safe zones* or no UN safe zones.

If the fighting continues and supplies for the Bosnian and Croatian Serbs dry up due to the Serbian blockade, then the Croats will consider restoring sovereignty over Krajina by force.

The irony that the world now desperately needs Mr Milosevic can no longer be lost on anyone. For if he falls, a Serbian dragon may arise more terrible than any of the monsters who have emerged from the depths of the Balkans over the past two years.

Spadolini dies after stomach operation

Rome: The Italian political establishment was shaken by *the death yesterday of* Giovanni Spadolini, a former prime minister and Senate Speaker, and one of the country's most respected elder statesmen (writes Sarah Cunningham).

Signor Spadolini, 69, who had been ill for some time, died of respiratory failure after a stomach operation. Silvio Berlusconi, the Prime Minister, said he was "one of the most eminent figures in the young Italian republic", who had, "united the qualities of a statesman with the knowledge of a scholar".

Signor Spadolini was Prime Minister from June 1981 until the end of 1982.

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France vents Algeria fury

London: Charles Pasqua, the French Interior Minister, yesterday accused Britain, Germany and America of harbouring Algerian Islamic *fundamentalists* (Michel Binyon writes).

A day after five French officials were killed in Algeria, he said the three governments had failed to act when tipped off about the activities of fundamentalists in their countries. The Netherlands announced the temporary closure of its Algiers embassy.

Sweden sends spy protest

Stockholm: Sweden has made a "protest" to Moscow after it was revealed that Russian intelligence had been financing Stig Bergling, a Swedish traitor, even after the break-up of the former Soviet Union (Nicholas George writes).

Bergling returned to Sweden this week after seven years on the run. He had been sentenced to life imprisonment for selling Swedish security plans in the 1970s. He escaped and was taken to Moscow.

Stop press

Tirana: Nine independent and opposition party newspapers in Albania have suspended publication for four days to protest against "unjust" taxes. Journalists claim the taxes and a new media law aimed at stifling dissent. *(AP)*

Leader's return

Aden: President Saleh of Yemen has returned to Aden for the first time since his forces captured the city from southern secessionists four weeks ago. He declared it to be the new winter capital. *(Reuter)*

Appeal for Taj

Bombay: Uttar Pradesh state is seeking help to save the Taj Mahal from industrial pollution. It wants £118 million from the World Bank to preserve the monument. *(Reuter)*

Hess order

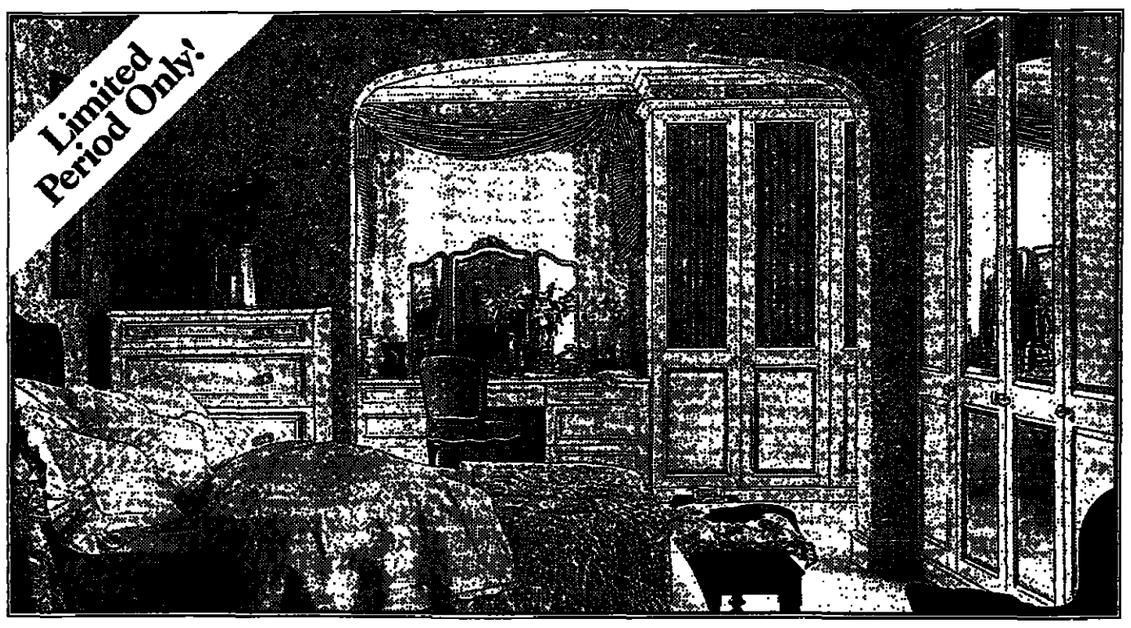
Bremen: A rally here by right-wing groups scheduled for August 13 to mark the seventh anniversary of the suicide of Rudolf Hess, Hitler's deputy, has been banned. *(Reuter)*

Militants sho

Istanbul: Turkish police kil three left-wing militants, tw of them women, after a sie in Istanbul, the Anatol news agency said. *(Reuter)*

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Police break into fund chief's flat

FROM ANATOL LIEVEN IN MOSCOW

THE controversial Russian "investment fund", MMM, froze its activities yesterday *when police moved in to* search the home of its president, Sergei Mavrodi, after accusing him of tax evasion and fraud. The move could deal the death blow to the lingering hopes of millions of Russian investors that one day they might get their money back.

In a melodramatic scene, as police surrounded Mr Mavrodi's flat in central Moscow and prepared to break through the armoured door, a defiant Mr Mavrodi telephoned his instructions to his subordinates and the media. Meanwhile, a bomb scare at MMM's central office forced a temporary evacuation.

Ever since the government came out against MMM two weeks ago, accusing it of being a "pyramid scheme" without real investments, Mr Mavrodi has been trying to stave off this *moment with the help of popu*list appeals and moral blackmail. He has threatened the government with a "revolution" by MMM's shareholders, which he says number ten million, if the government brought down his company.

Last Friday, as investors queued up in thousands to sell their shares, MMM slashed the price from 115,000 roubles to 1,000 roubles in an effort to keep public sympathy: it was announced that the especially needy would be able to sell their shares at the original price, and a small number have indeed done so. So too, according to evidence from people in the lines outside MMM, have criminal bosses, senior military and police.

Blood don may be freed

FROM SUSAN BELL IN PARIS

THE former Cambridge don, Jean-Pierre Allain, at the centre of the French blood scandal which resulted in at least 1,200 haemophiliacs contracting the Aids virus, and more than 400 of them dying, may be freed today after serving only half his two-year prison term.

The result of an appeal by the public prosecutor against the granting of parole to Allain will be announced today. Before becoming head of the transfusion centre at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Allain, 45, was research director of the French blood bank, which supplied haemophiliacs with insufficiently treated blood.

In a trial which shook France's faith in its medical establishment, Allain was shown to have been fully aware of the dangers of supplying non-heat-treated blood and was held responsible for continuing his experiments on haemophiliacs while failing to "insist" that the blood bank's director, Michel Garetta, switch to properly treated products.



Allain: model prisoner studied psychology

Convicted in June 1992 of "deception on the substantial quality of a product", Allain's four-year prison sentence, two years of which were suspended, was confirmed by the courts on July 13, 1993.

Last week Garetta, who was jailed for four years and fined 500,000 francs (£68,750) for his role in the scandal, faced new charges of "poisoning", making his imminent release unlikely. So far "poisoning" charges have not been brought against Allain.

Olivier Schnerb, Allain's lawyer, said that his client had been a "model prisoner" who studied psychology in jail, helped fellow-inmates, in a fragile state of health, and even gave English and art classes. M Schnerb also conceded that Allain's excellent academic connections and numerous job offers from British and American laboratories may have helped.

"Cambridge University is waiting for his release in order to reinstate him," said M Schnerb. Sir David Williams, Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge University, would neither confirm nor deny the suggestion yesterday.

Thirty-three Nobel prize-winners wrote to President Mitterrand asking for clemency. Edmond-Luc Henry, president of the French Association of Haemophiliacs, found the decision to grant Allain parole shocking", and called for additional charges to be brought against him.

Court chaos robs Dhaka militants of feminist prey

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN DHAKA

As the court hearing against Taslima Nasreen got under way, it became clear that Islamic fundamentalists face frustration in the slow mills of Bangladesh law

THE bedlam in Court No. 1 of Dhaka metropolitan magistrates' court yesterday demonstrated how long it might take the prosecution to try to prove that Taslima Nasreen, the controversial Bangladeshi writer, insulted Islam.

Abdul Raquez Khan, the Dhaka public prosecutor, sweating beneath the fans in a black blazer, waited in vain all morning for Ms Nasreen's lawyer to turn up. He lamented that he did not know when the case might begin in earnest or when it might be concluded. "That is up to the government," he said.

His day brightened in the afternoon when Sara Hossain, a young lawyer representing Ms Nasreen, turned up, smiling broadly. She evidently sees eye-to-eye with her feminist client. "Women's rights are human rights," declares a notice on her office door.

A dozen or more supporters of Jamaat-i-Islami, the largest fundamentalist party in Bangladesh, occupied the public benches at the back of the courtroom. One of them jumped up in the middle of the proceedings and complained that Ms Nasreen should be brought to court in person. He was told to sit down.

The magistrate formally accepted a High Court ruling that the author need not appear in person for her trial. He also withdrew the arrest warrant issued against her on June 4, since the High Court had granted bail a day earlier. The next hearing in the magistrates' court is due on September 4, which will be a formal "charge framing" session.

"Jamaat are extremely frustrated," Ms Hossain said last night. "Their bloodlust will have to be satisfied elsewhere. This has been a major defeat for them."

The bedlam of justice at work continued as the Jamaat men competed for space with lawyers, policemen, witnesses and prisoners yelling at each other above the din. If the government really wants to forget the whole business, there is nowhere like Dhaka magistrates' court in which to achieve it.

A 13-party alliance of religious organisations plans street demonstrations in Dhaka today, but they will probably not amount to much.

The writer remains in hiding. "She just needs time to get back to normal. Then she will decide what to do," Ms Hossain said.

Prostitute sues pimp for broken promises

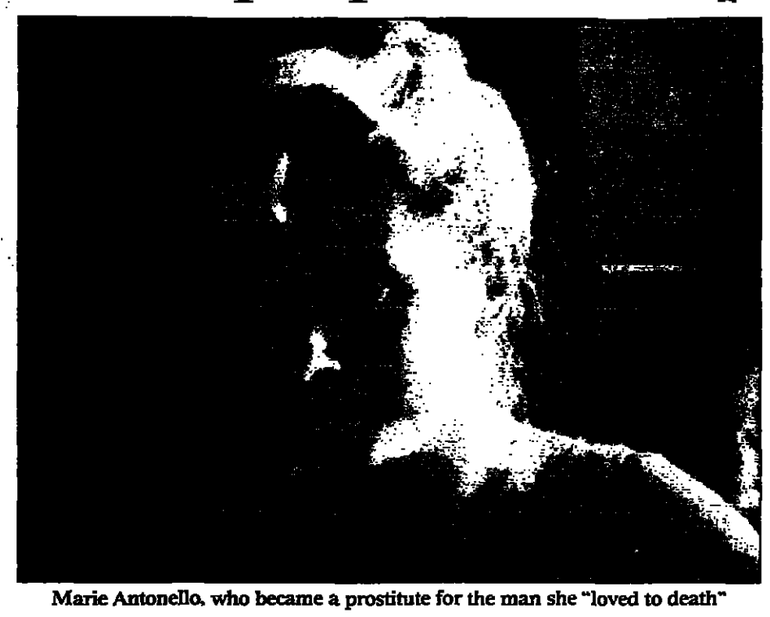
FROM PATRICK McDOWELL IN PARIS

SHE loved him enough to sit semi-nude in a window as a piece of merchandise. Now, the former prostitute is suing her faithless pimp for the money he made off her body.

In an unprecedented legal case, a French court has agreed to hear Marie Antonello's lawsuit to seek the return of 600,000 francs (£72,500) she claims her boyfriend-pimp took from her. The case could legally redefine the relationship between pimps and prostitutes, from one of illicit partnership to one where a criminal exploits a victim, lawyers said.

The story, told by Mlle Antonello to police, lawyers and the French media, has the classic elements of ennui, passion, sex, violence, betrayal and revenge. An attractive blonde with wide eyes and a lush smile, Mlle Antonello, then 25, grew bored with her job as a bar maid in her native Alpine hills two years ago.

The mountain burg of Annemasse, population 27,000, wasn't exactly Paris. But she answered an advertisement for a nightclub there that offered "hostesses" 150 francs for each 800-franc bottle of champagne bought by male clients. There she met the owner, Lounis Bouhi, known to most as Dominique, and fell in love with him. She wanted marriage and a baby. He said there wasn't enough money. "It came slowly, insidiously," Mlle Antonello told *Libération*.



Marie Antonello, who became a prostitute for the man she "loved to death"

"He let me know there was a way I could make a fair bit of money, that it meant going to Belgium," she was quoted as saying. "I didn't want to anger him. I loved him to death." In February, last year, she gave in. They went to Anvers, Belgium, and rented a window in the red-light district. She went into the window. He went home. Every couple of weeks, he returned to collect her earnings, based on 1,000 Belgian francs (£19) for 10 minutes, for their future, she said. Dominique started beating her when she began making too much money — he thought another man might take her, she said. He brought her back to Annemasse, where the beatings grew worse. Attempts to run away failed. Eventually, Dominique, who had a record of petty crime, was charged with pimping.

"I thought I was the only woman in his life, but the police told me about the good life he was living, all his mistresses. I'd rather have died than heard it."

Dominique was convicted and jailed. But she decided to get even and contacted Jacques Vergès, one of France's best known lawyers, to get her money back.

No precedent for the case exists in France. Prostitutes have been awarded damages from pimps who abused them, but never has one sued to get back the money she turned over. Legal experts say she may lose, since the money was gained illegally. But M Vergès said: "Pimping is violence. It's racketeering, and the judge should recognise the rights of the prostituted victim."

A court in Thonon-les-Bains agreed on Wednesday to investigate the case. A judge will then determine whether to try it. *(AP)*

China to spend £3bn more on Russian arms

FROM CATHERINE FIELD IN HONG KONG

CHINA is to buy an additional $5 billion (£3.35 billion) of armaments from Russia in its drive to upgrade the technology of its three-million-strong armed forces.

The purchase of tanks, Su35 and Su30 MK fighters, mid-air refuelling equipment and the means to build tanks and other hardware is part of an overall campaign by military chiefs to make the People's Liberation Army a superior force in Asia. Military experts say China is keen to exploit the security vacuum in Asia created by the Cold War's end.

The purchase was approved by the State Council last month, *The Mirror*, the Peking-affiliated Hong Kong magazine, reported yesterday. Details of how many aircraft and tanks are being bought, vital indicators of China's strategic intentions, remain unclear.

Since America closed down its operations in Subic Bay in the Philippines and the Soviet Union withdrew from Vietnam's Cam Ranh Bay, Chinese military strategists have been angling to take over as the regional military superpower. The amount being spent represents a third of the State Council's allocations to defence-related ministries, including aerospace.

The US Arms Control and Disarmament Agency estimates that China's annual military budget is about $30 billion. The only other country to spend more on its military is America itself.

"As sciences are developing, arms for the military should be updated at the same time," General Ding Henggao, Minister in Charge of the State Commission for National Defence, said earlier this year.

The decision to grant additional funds to the military at a time of government belt-tightening is another indication of the efforts being made by factions within the government to gain the military's support. President Jiang Zemin is desperate to consolidate his position; the military's support is vital if he is to take over when Deng Xiaoping, the paramount leader, dies.

Additional funding for the purchases will come from money saved by the long-delayed demobilisation of up to half a million soldiers. The demobilised soldiers are expected to be transferred to the People's Armed Police.

War game 'aimed at Vietnam'

CHINA'S armed forces have staged a spectacular war game on Hainan Island, the base for the Chinese Navy's patrol fleet responsible for the South China Sea and the Gulf of Tonkin (Catherine Field writes). Military analysts say the display was intended as a show of force against Vietnam, with which it disputes sovereignty of the oil-rich Spratly Islands.

Police video nasty switches race roles

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN NEW YORK

SHADES of the notorious Rodney King beating have returned to haunt Los Angeles after a local television station broadcast home video footage showing a police officer using a baton to batter a teenager as he lay defenceless on the ground.

In this latest storm over accusations of police brutality the racial combination is different but no less volatile than the King incident in which white officers were videotaped beating a black motorist. The alleged victim in this case, 17-year-old Felipe Soltero, is Hispanic and the officer, Michael Jackson, is black.

The incident occurred on July 29 when the officer accompanied a social worker to a caravan site park in the suburb of Compton in order to take Soltero and his siblings into care as neglected children. The videotape, shot by a neighbour, shows Officer Jackson striking Soltero in the face and then continuing to club him with his baton at least seven times after he collapsed to the ground.

Officer Jackson has been put on paid leave pending the outcome of an investigation into the incident, but the officer's lawyer insists the youth taunted him with racial slurs, punched him and struggled for three minutes before the tape began.

According to Officer Jackson's report, the teenager attempted to wrestle the gun from his hands, struck him in the forehead and then kicked the officer on the ground.

Relatives and neighbours of the teenager say Soltero did not strike the officer. His godmother, Maria Quintana, who took the video, claimed her godson was confrontational but not threatening when the social worker and policeman arrived. Ms Quintana was paid $125 (£85) by local television station KNBC for exclusive broadcast rights to the videotape. KNBC has threatened to sue any other media outlet which broadcasts it. Soltero was been charged with resisting arrest and released.

By coincidence the final chapter of the Rodney King beating, which led to widespread riots and the deaths of 56 people, was being written elsewhere in the city.

On Wednesday the Los Angeles City Council agreed to pay Mr King $3.8 million (£2.5 million) in compensatory damages for his 1991 beating at the hands of four white policemen.

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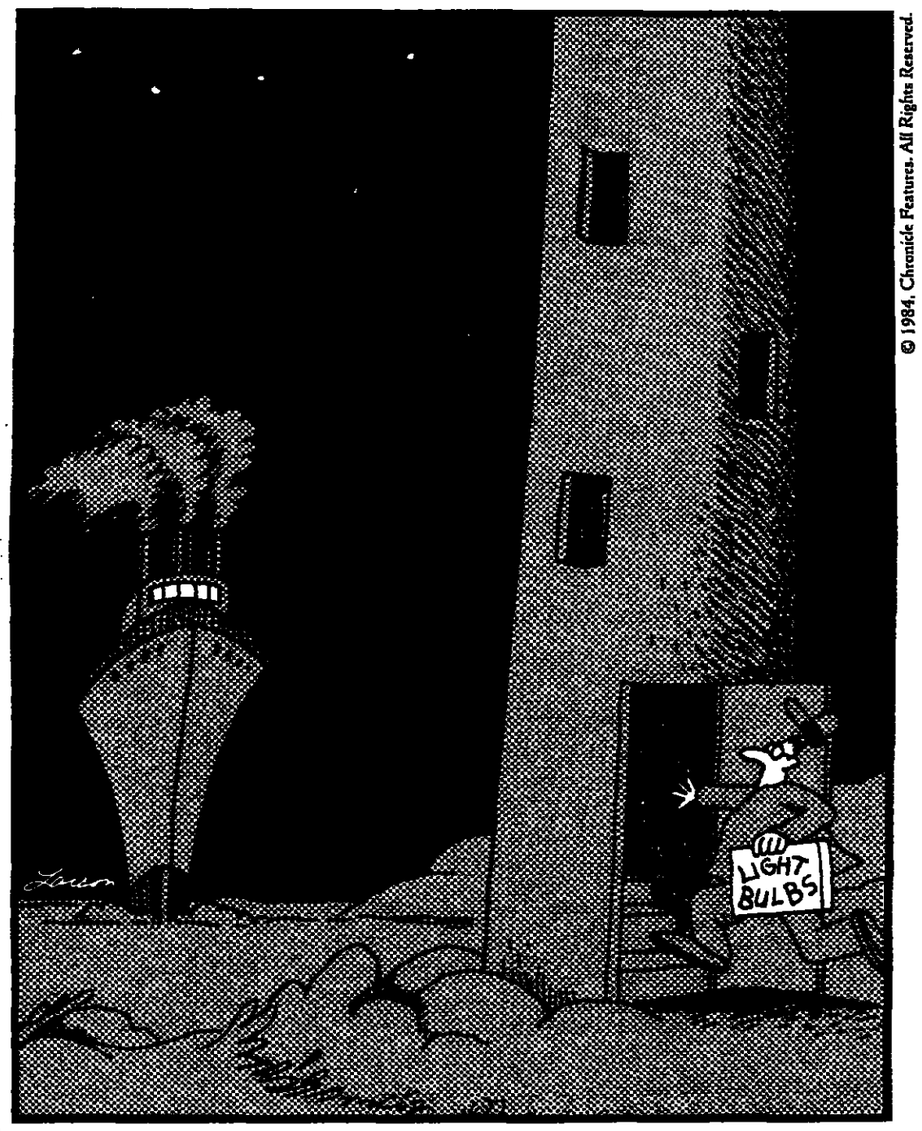
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A bishop's difficult move

Dr Eric Kemp did not find it easy to sack the priest who did not believe in God. Ought he to have taken a more tolerant view? Walter Ellis met him

Most people would have thought it an open and shut case. The Rev Anthony Freeman, vicar of St Mark's Church, Staplefield, in West Sussex, had announced publicly that he did not believe in God, and his boss, Dr Eric Kemp, the Bishop of Chichester, having failed to persuade him back to the true faith, had sacked him.

How could he have done otherwise? Mr Freeman was not only a vicar; crucially he was in charge of the further training of newly ordained priests and a central figure in the general education of priests throughout the diocese.

The trouble is that the bishop was left feeling that in God's House, with its many mansions, he had issued an eviction order. He has been accused of intolerance of and failing to accommodate the kind of genuine doubt that is now a commonplace throughout organised religion. "The last few weeks have been a nightmare," he said yesterday.

> 'I would have retired long ago but for the women's issue'

It was a tough case, and tough cases make tough law. Mr Freeman's increasingly secular interpretation of the Gospels first became public last year with the appearance of his book, *God With Us*, in which he wrote: "There is nothing out there — or if there is, we can have no knowledge of it."

The bishop's response, after consulting his senior colleagues, was to give him 12 months to reconsider. Alas, the tactic failed, and after a final, emotional sermon at St Mark's on Sunday, during which the congregation was clearly divided in its allegiances, the door of the Church was firmly slammed.

On Wednesday, on BBC1's *Here and Now* programme, Mr Freeman was once again admirably straightforward about his lack of belief. No, he did not believe in God. "God" was a concept humanity itself had created and represented no more than the potential for good within the human spirit. Looking serene, indeed almost angelic, and still wearing his clerical collar, the vicar said he had no idea what happened after death. The Lord's Prayer — though he kept repeating it — was no more than glorious doggerel; there had been no Virgin Birth; and Christ, by definition, was not the Son of God.

Mr Freeman's licence was withdrawn on the basis that his manifest unbelief was "incompatible" with his role as a priest. The bishop's sworn duty, after all, is not merely to ensure the sound administration of his diocese but to inspire the clergy and to ensure the maintenance of at least a semblance of religious orthodoxy.

And yet and yet. Dr Kemp — about as orthodox an Anglo-Catholic as exists in today's Church — is deeply troubled by the dismissal he feels was forced upon him.

Speaking yesterday in the book-lined study of the Bishop's Palace in Chichester, he acknowledged that he and other diocesan officials had been responsible for Mr Freeman's appointment in the first place.

They had first met when the bishop was a fellow at Exeter College, Oxford, and Mr Freeman was a first-year undergraduate studying chemistry. He had overseen the younger man's career ever since. The vicar's conversion to the "Sea of Faith" view, in which God is reduced to an aspiration, had happened only in the last two years and had taken him completely by surprise.

Dr Kemp, who came to the purple late in life after many years as an academic, agreed that he could probably have tolerated Mr Freeman's reconversion if he had kept it private and if he had not been such a high-profile figure in the diocese. "Having doubts is one thing. Expressing them in the aggressive, assertive manner of Anthony Freeman is quite another." And, as if the Staplefield affair was not quite enough, the bishop has also been involved in recent months in a rearguard action against the advance of women in the Church.

Just this week, he backed an anti-women vicar who had refused to sanction a celebration of the Eucharist in a local Christian bookshop by a woman priest from Worthing. He argued that he was within his rights because the woman in question was from outside the diocese, and insisted it was not a question of gender.


TONY WHITE

Dr Eric Kemp yesterday: women priests and one male unbeliever have been dominating his life

Dr Kemp — kindly, studious and very much the traditional archetype of his calling — believes that certain issues are irreducible. Faith is obviously one; morals are another. In the last two years, he has cancelled two priests' licences on the grounds of admitted adultery.

The bishop's chief concern remains the government of the church he loves. In this context, his stand against the ordination of women, though out of step with the beliefs of many of his colleagues, is deeply principled. What he fears is a much greater schism to come.

"Women priests are one thing," he says. "Women bishops are a very different cup of tea. They will split the Church. Bishops hold the Church together and must remain in communion with one another."

At 79, he is the oldest serving bishop, unaffected by recent changes in canonical law requiring retirement by prelates at 70. "I would have retired long ago but for the women's issue. I want it clarified and settled before I go."

Dr Kemp is the very embodiment of high church establishment orthodoxy. His career is riven with certainty and reads like a model for an ecclesiastical entry in *Who's Who*. His humility is that of a liberal academic, who respects doubt but sees it principally as a debating tool and a means, ultimately, of confirming the basic tenets of the faith. Had he been a Catholic prelate in medieval times, he might well have tended towards the thumb-screws and the rack as more immediately useful implements; but in the late 20th century, with doubt endemic even in episcopal circles, all he can do is cajole and scold and, in the end, draw a line in the sand.

He is a sadder man for what he has failed to achieve with Anthony Freeman. But he also knows that he has done his duty.

Odds stacked against British fishermen

Net losses from the Battle of Biscay

WEST Country fishermen are not traditionally fond of statistics, but they enjoy reciting the one about the Spanish attitude to enforcing fishery regulations. Britain has 285 fisheries inspectors based in ports all around the country. Spain has 17, all based in Madrid, 200 miles from the nearest salt water.

Unfair? Quite possibly, but fairness and fishing are distant cousins, especially when the Brits and the Spanish go to war.

The net-slashing, all-swearing encounter in the Bay of Biscay this week evokes images of little ships rolling in nasty seas, heaving cannon at dastardly putative invaders as women in shawls wait anxiously on distant quays.

They were playing bowls on Plymouth Hoe yesterday, under the eye of a statue of Sir Francis Drake. But the man who finished his game before tackling the Spanish Armada would find the modern battle already lost, because Spanish trawlers re-registered in Britain land their catches in Plymouth and other ports with impunity.



Drake: would he win today?

This is only one of the issues to raise the hackles of British fishermen. For John Major, hoping the anger will subside is not an option: he has backed off once in the face of threatened action.

The Tories need their loyal backbenchers around the coasts of Devon and Cornwall but MPs such as Sebastian Coe in Falmouth and Camborne and Robert Hicks (Cornwall South East) face difficult geometry: squaring the circle of backing their constituents and backing government legislation.

This dilemma brought about the downfall of Britain's Sea Fish (Conservation) Act, which was due for implementation on January 1 this year but which the Government suspended last year under pressure from the fishing lobby. The Act was designed to implement European Union rules on fish conservation that centre on reducing fleet sizes. It offered £25 million compensation to owners prepared to have their boats destroyed, reducing the UK fleet by 19 per cent.

"Not enough," says Elizabeth Stevenson, of the family based at Newlyn in Cornwall that owns Britain's biggest private trawler fleet. The Stevensons are agents for some of the boats in the fracas. Mrs Stevenson, who is also secretary of the Cornish Fish Producers' Organisation, told me: "The Spanish say our nets are too long, but they wouldn't want us if we went there with nets an inch long. The Spanish think they own the Bay of Biscay but it's EU fishing territory.

"My worry about the British legislation is that having beaten off a bad Act we'll get something worse. We are watching what Mr Coe will do when the amended legislation comes up in the Commons. He knows we expect him to back us."

The irony of the Biscay punch-up is that it is only an indirect by-product of fish quotas. All sides admit that too many boats are chasing too few fish; hence the quotas on fish such as cod, hake, plaice, pollack and haddock. But tuna, the prize in Biscay, are not under quota. This battle was about money.

Tuna fetch good prices and Cornish skippers can expect to make between £15,000 and £30,000 from a ten-day trip to Biscay. Hence the anger of the Cornish skipper forced to sail for home with £50,000 worth of gear wrecked.

The only certainties on the wider issue of fish conservation are that the argument will continue and that some fishermen will find a way around whatever regulations Britain eventually imposes. Not for nothing are some fishing practices known as old Spanish customs, but they are not confined to Spain: trawlers have come out of British boatbuilders with false holds hidden beneath the nominal ones and skippers sometimes report catches as coming from one area when they have been caught in another, where the quota is smaller.

Still, Britain's fishermen have one fact on their side that not even a Brussels edict can change. Sixty per cent of EU fishing is in British territorial waters, which gives them at least a technical right to rule the waves, especially in the face of Spaniards waiving the rules.

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Catfights and a fact of life

As the fur flies, Peter Millar argues that nurturing animals for their skins can prevent natural extinction

There is nothing quite like a catfight between ageing sex kittens to enliven an intellectual debate.

The spectacle of Brigitte Bardot, these days not so much gorgeous and pouting as didactic and petulant, hurling uncomplimentary epithets at Sophia Loren remains as entertaining as the idea of the pair in their youthful heyday grappling on the big screen. The cause for the row between two women — who in the second half of the 20th century each, in her own way, defined the rival claims of France and Italy to lead the world in style and sexiness — is, predictably, fashion.

Bardot, of course, does not see it that way. Her reasons for lambasting Loren as "degrading, repugnant, deplorable, unworthy" stem from moral conviction: her devotion to stopping the fur trade which she proclaims to be licensed murder. Loren, on the other hand, is arguably more true to her calling, posing in prestigious pelts for the Italian Anabella fur company.

Next to diamonds, after all, furs have long been the symbol of success for any Hollywood star and a sign of status for any *grande dame* of European society. Loren, despite her interesting altercations with the Italian tax authorities and the neo-Fascist politics of her gorgeously pouting Bardotesque niece Alessandra Mussolini, is undeniably both.

This is, of course, the core of the Bardot blitzkrieg. By lending her own name and image to the anti-fur campaign, she is trying to kill the link between mink coats and superstar status, the very bond that Loren's Anabella advertising reinforces. But the fact remains that in mainland Europe Bardot is seen as something of an aberration; the anti-fur crusade is an essentially Anglo-Saxon obsession.

Top-notch department stores from Fifth Avenue to Knightsbridge may close down their fur departments in deference to political correctness, but the big shops of Central Europe remain richly stocked with furs of every description from minks to lynx. In Vienna or Rome, Madrid or Warsaw, anybody who is anybody is proud to step out in silver fox or sable.



A young Sophia Loren pictured wearing furs in 1958

Nor is it just the upper-class preserve of the mega-rich. My mind immediately conjures up the familiar image of a shop in an otherwise unprepossessingly bourgeois Munich suburb stocked with row upon row of full-length furs displayed behind plate glass, protected by an iron grille only at night and then against thieves rather than fire bombers.

For that is the sinister subtext of the anti-fur lobby: on the extreme wing they are as prepared as the militant members of animal rights groups to put human lives at risk to prove their political point. Cleverly loaded language such as "to have a fur is like wearing a cemetery" is merely an attempt to conceal the smoking gun beneath their Day-Glo synthetic anoraks.

The critical flaw at the heart of the anti-fur lobby's logic is a failure to understand the symbiotic relationship between mankind and the world around us. Banning furs is not the same as banning harmful exhaust emissions. There are parallels between the arguments for ecology and animal rights, but they are far from exact. Like vegetarians who wear leather shoes, Bardot and company have simply not followed all their arguments through to their often unattractive logical conclusions, like the answer to the question: who needs minks?

It is a simple fact that many of the animals which produce the finest pelts are little more than exotic rodents. If they were not valuable, there is a high probability that they would be extinct. The same people who oppose the fur industry are equally horrified by fox hunting or myxomatosis, both attempts by man to keep rodents under control. While the tendency to prefer animals to humans is not unfamiliar, particularly in Britain, it is an unalterable fact of life that, so far at least, humans have come out on top.

Wild boar are resident again in England not because they launched a sneak invasion, nor does their presence, admittedly in Sussex farms rather than roaming the New Forest, testify to some abstract desire to restock our countryside with the variety of livestock it might have hosted under the Plantagenets: They are there because we have latterly rediscoverd that they are rather tasty. Nor is it a coincidence that the populations of pigs, cattle and sheep in this country are higher today than they have ever been. It is not because they have been spectacular evolutionary successes. It is, quite simply, because humanity finds them useful.

Mme Bardot might find that distasteful, but it is a fact. It is the same with furs. The long-term prospects for survival of the mink, lynx, arctic fox and even seals are better assured if they fit in to man's scheme of husbandry. The important thing is control: that trapping and/or farming should be regulated to prevent the risk of a species being hunted to extinction.

Simply making fur unpopular will, in the long term, remove any economic interest in the animals concerned. And there is nothing on this planet guaranteed to lead more quickly to obsolescence than lack of economic value. Surely even old actresses know that.

Gerry Fitt tells of the night his memories were burnt — and wonders why the Irish can't be more like the Brits

'What did I ever do wrong, except criticise tribalism?'

THE VALERIE GROVE INTERVIEW



SIMON WALKER

Lord Fitt yesterday — "People don't march as an alternative to joggin'," he says. "They do it to assert their supremacy. It is pure tribalism, the cause of troubles all over the world"



TWENTY-FIVE years on, Baron Fitt of Bell's Hill in the County of Down — Gerry to all — is in his office in the House of Lords, his haven since the IRA burnt down his house in Belfast, doing what he does best: telling stories. With the Palace of Westminster in recess, all the bars are closed "except this one", he says, opening a cabinet and pouring himself a gin and tonic.

From a filing cabinet in the corner, he produces the shirt he was wearing on October 5, 1968. This Turin Shroud of the Troubles is a Marks and Spencer shirt in cream cotton poplin, size 16, and the blood-stains on it are deep dyed brown. That was the day the RUC pulled him out of the civil rights march in Londonderry and beat him about the head with batons, seen by millions on television. "With 20-20 hindsight," Gerry says, "they would have been better off breaking my arm. From my head, the blood just flew. Quite a keepsake, eh."

We shall be getting many Belfast memories this weekend, a quarter of a century since British troops went into Northern Ireland, but Lord Fitt, at 68 has more than most. It all started with a march. Ulstermen are addicted to marches. "People don't march as an alternative to joggin'," says Gerry. "They do it to assert their supremacy. It is pure tribalism, the cause of troubles all over the world."

Gerry's march in Derry had simple aims: like a fairer voting system. His blood was the first to be spilt, and his wife Anne said it would not be the last. How right she was.

A year later, on August 12, Fitt was one of those who appealed for the British Army to come in. "Get the Army Gerry," the crowd was shouting. He rang Jim Callaghan from a Belfast betting shop as the riots ensued. When he sees Rwandans fleeing, it reminds him of the hysteria of that night. The troops arrived next day. Callaghan told him: "It's easy to send the Army in, but it will be the devil of a job to get them out."

Gerry watched the welcome to the British Army turn to hatred. The first British soldier to be shot, Gunner Robert Curtis, died near his house. "I heard the shot that killed him," Gerry says. "No one can ever say who fired the first shot."

As a rare politician who won both Protestant and Catholic votes, he fought 22 elections and won 19. But his denunciation of the IRA as murdering psychopaths rather than misguided patriots was Gerry Fitt's undoing. For the leader of the Nationalists to condemn the IRA so unambivalently took courage to the point of foolhardiness. Behind his terrace house on the Antrim Road was a Catholic ghetto and the Fitts had five daughters — "known as the Miss Fitts, that's why they all got married as soon as possible". They lived under siege and he carried a Browning automatic.

ON the first anniversary of internment the IRA harassment began. They would arrive at 3am with petrol bombs and stones. Unbreakable glass was installed, and Merlyn Rees arranged a two-way radio link with police, but the attacks went on, signalled by bin-rattling, hurling of bricks and bombs and chants of "Gerry Fitt is a Brit". One terrible night in August 1976, another internment anniversary, the front door was smashed down. Daughter Geraldine, 13, ran in with "Daddy, daddy, they're coming upstairs" and Gerry, in his vest, saw the ringleader off by brandishing the Browning.

Still he went on speaking out, even after he saw his friend Senator Paddy Wilson murdered one election night. When the H-block hunger strikes started in 1978, John Hume advised Gerry to keep his head down and say nothing. "But I could not support these people. I had to carry their victims' coffins to the graveyard." After Cardinal Tomás O Fiaich made statements sympathetic to the IRA, Gerry was ready to resign; but instead denounced the hunger strike in the Commons. "I knew then that the roof would fall in and I would win no more elections." While he was at Westminster Mrs Fitt was at home when the mob arrived with burning torches, silently massing and banging a drum every five seconds.

What really hurt was to see their old friends and supporters in the mob. After Mass one Sunday he rounded on one such woman: "I said, 'Sarah Jane, what in the world of Jesus Christ were you doing there outside my house?' And she said, 'Gerry, two of my grandsons are in the Kesh for killing a peeler'. Blood is thicker than water. Mothers and fathers I had helped now had sons of 16 who had grown up throwing stones at British soldiers and the whole family went Provo."

This is why he insists that anyone who thinks the IRA hierarchy will ever accept the Downing Street declaration and call off the violence does not understand that the killing is only part of it. Robberies, protection rackets and intimidation are now a way of life. "Anyone born after 1969 knows nothing else but throwing stones at police and robbing post offices and knee-capping people. Will the IRA say, 'You have to stop all that now?' Things don't happen that way. The Mafia started as a patriotic organisation against the Italian overlords. You can't get rid of organised crime so easily. These kids, for 25 years, have never known any respect for authority or the police."

On July 2, 1983, when the IRA burnt down his house, they destroyed even his wedding photographs. The next day he was in McGlade's bar when a call came through from Willie Whitelaw, speaking from Cumbria. As Gerry tells it (and every conversation he relates has the ring of Gerry's own voice): "Willie Whitelaw said, 'Is that you Gerry? I've had a hell of a time tracking you down. Gerry, I saw your house burnt down on television. After all you've done for them over the years, one of the few sane voices to

> "This is the most tolerant country on the face of God's earth"

come out of that place. Gerry, are you coming to the Lords with me?'"

So although he had said he would never be driven out by the IRA, he has been here ever since, with daughters Joan (wife of Vincent Hanna), Betty, Patsy, Eileen (a senior editor on the *Nine o'Clock News*) and Geraldine.

He says Anne would have been dead by now if they had remained in Belfast: the anxiety and grief took a terrible toll on her health. The two met at Hyde Park Corner in the snowy winter of 1947. This weekend they go to Normandy, to a graveside reunion of the Irish Guards, where 50 years ago this week his elder brother Geordie was killed. Gerry was a merchant seaman in the war; now he loves the two small boats he has moored on the Thames.

"This is the most tolerant country on the face of God's earth," he says. "I only wish to God that we in Northern Ireland could be as tolerant of people's views."

He notes how the IRA's bombing of mainland Britain, such as the City of London bomb, inspire a Blitz spirit, a stiffening of resolve: "They'll never beat us out of Northern Ireland." But Loyalist activity has the reverse effect, hastening the day when Britain will chuck the whole thing in.

"And the fact is that since the majority of IRA supporters are on the dole, it costs the British Treasury, aside from security, £3.2 billion a year to keep Northern Ireland afloat."

He regards the Sunningdale agreement of 1973 as the zenith of his political career, when, as leader of the SDLP, and under the chairmanship of Willie Whitelaw, he helped to form an executive of Nationalists and Unionists, "the realisation of all my dreams". Why did it all fall apart in months? "Because of my party's emotional dedication to a united Ireland. And the 1985 Anglo-Irish agreement was a replica of Sunningdale — and the Downing Street declaration also has these elements. Nothing has changed."

FURY enters his voice at the mention of Gerry Adams, occupying his old West Belfast seat. "The IRA and Gerry Adams have been running circles round the British media since December. The British Government has made concession after concession. The IRA and Sinn Fein cannot bring peace."

It could be Ian Paisley speaking. Is it true that Paisley once visited him in hospital? This shows what can happen when you are friendly to everyone and make jokes. He was in hospital with a duodenal ulcer, and asked a nurse if he had been given Protestant blood transfusions, because he found himself singing *The Sash My Father Wore*. Moments after this little jest, the nurse announced that he had a visitor and in strode Paisley, booming: "Gerry Fitt, you're running yourself into the ground and you're only my age [there is only three days' age difference]. And at the end of the day you'll get no thanks for it."

Fitt was born in West Belfast; his mother was in domestic service and his father died when he was eight. It was watching a Protestant politician campaigning on a street corner that gave young Gerry the idea that it would be a grand thing to make an audience clap. "And in 20 elections I always stopped on that corner and looked for an eight-year-old wee boy I could inspire."

In his House of Lords fastness he can no longer do that. "But even though I appear to have been rejected by the nationalist population, I still have the feeling that in their innermost hearts, most would say, 'What did Gerry ever do that was wrong, apart from criticise tribalism?'"

"I was middle of the road and the middle of the road is where you get knocked down, and I was. But nobody ever yet said that Gerry Fitt was a bad MP."

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Philip Howard



■ Many of our political figureheads are no more than naval-gazers

Sea splashes through our language this week. The Spanish authorities were yesterday accused of steering a "wolf pack" of fishing vessels on a lone British trawler in the tuna wars. For once, these were precise transferred uses of nautical metaphor. Tuna war is an adaptation of the cod wars between Iceland and Britain over fishing limits 30 years ago. A Spanish fish-protection vessel was said to have copied the tactics of German submarine warfare by concentrating its scattered boats, in the way that Admiral Karl Dönitz's headquarters ashore concentrated its wolf packs of U-Boats against Allied convoys.

At Southampton Yacht Club, British Telecom went into Seaspeak by announcing its sponsorship of the next Chay Blyth Round-the-World yacht race. Off Cowes, the air was dark and dirty with sailing jargon of spinnaker sheets and Dragons. For sailors, the impenetrable argot and rules of boating are part of the attraction in their insiders' network, but they prevent sailing from becoming a popular sport. All those sails are pretty, but it is impossible to calculate the classes and handicaps to work out who has won or why or whether it matters.

Because of our island history of sea battles, overseas conquest and trade, we British fill our language with nautical jargon. Because not many of us actually go to sea or know much about boats, we usually get it slightly wrong. "Flagship" has recently replaced "key" in political cliché as an epithet to characterise something prominent, a naval metaphor in exchange for presumably a musical (or perhaps an architectural) one. Whereas politicians were once said to have made a key speech or proclaimed a key policy, today they are continually pretending to be admirals by making flagship speeches or launching flagship policies in their manifestos. But this is to misunderstand the purpose of a flagship, which is the location of the command headquarters, not necessarily or often the most prominent ship. A prudent flag officer flew his commander's flag from a modest ship towards the rear of the line of battle, in order to avoid the disaster of having the fleet's directing intelligence knocked out. Nelson was the splendid exception, leading the charge in a three-decker, and his rashness nearly lost him Trafalgar.

Thank Neptune and Nelson that the language is not kept shipshape and Bristol fashion by admirals. They cannot force landlubbers to treat flagships (or dog kennels) as carefully as sailors do. So we have altered the meaning of flagship, to mean the brightest and biggest and best, because in civilian life we fly flags as decorations rather than signals. It now makes idiomatic sense to speak of a flagship programme, or the flagship model of a range of cars.

"Clear (blue) water" is another phrase that has just become popular in general discourse, as a metaphor for politicians trying to distinguish themselves from their opponents. When everyone is splashing around for votes in the middle of the pond, there may be some merit in letting clear water be seen between your flagship policy and those of your opponents. The metaphor sounds nautical, or at any rate wet, but it is difficult to work out where it comes from. Sailors clear a ship to sail, clear for action, clear lower deck, and clear a headland. But I think clear water comes from the Boat Race, where the commentator shouts breathlessly that he can see clear water when Oxford (as it might be) has heaved more than a length ahead of Cambridge.

Water is a great transmitter and changer of language, because it is the marginal place where speakers of different languages meet. Some of the first words to come into English from French (and vice versa) are names of fish and sailing terms, because languages as well as sailors mix in ports. Maritime pidgin carries words round vast areas of the world, so that the Hawaiian word for a man, *kanaka*, turns up in Chinook jargon off the northwest coast of America, and Chinese pidgin English *chowchow*, chow or food in English, has been spread to Eskimo jargon and Hawaiian pidgin. If only the Royal Yacht Squadron were less exclusive, its jargon would rule the world. There are too many flagships and not enough clear waters round Cowes today.

Tony Blair's election vindicates the old SDP but marginalises the Liberal Democrats, writes **Anthony Howard**

Decent socialism gives Ashdown a headache

What is the Gang — no longer of Four but of Three — up to? Once Roy Jenkins had written his seminal piece in praise of Tony Blair on this page almost a fortnight ago, it was clear that Paddy Ashdown was going to be in trouble. Since then we have had a back-up duet from Shirley Williams and Bill Rodgers (though to be fair to Lady Williams, her contribution, a lecture originally delivered at the Fabian/*Guardian* conference, predated those of her colleagues).

But there is little comfort in that for the Liberal Democrats' leader. It implies, after all, that what he is confronted with is not some silly season August flurry but long-felt stirrings of unrest at the top of his party.

It was always predictable that Tony Blair's election to the Labour leadership would have an unsettling effect on the kind of appeal that Paddy Ashdown has made his own over the past six years. Why, to borrow Aneurin Bevan's savage question, bother with the monkey when we can all now listen to the organ-grinder? If one thing was more hurtful to Mr Ashdown than any other, it must have been the assumption spelt out by Lords Jenkins and Rodgers — and implicit in Shirley Williams's speech — that from now on the future of the political centre rests with Mr Blair.

But, to revive another famous phrase from roughly the same period, they would say that, wouldn't they? Ever since the collapse of the Alliance in 1987, those who left the Labour Party to launch the SDP have had to justify, not least to themselves, the action they took 13 years ago. Their original hope — about which they were quite candid — was to replace the Labour Party. But that hope foundered as early as the 1983 general election, when only five of some 30 sitting SDP MPs managed to limp back to Westminster after facing their hour of reckoning with the electorate. A party that could not capitalise on all Labour's troubles and travails of that time was hardly likely to get the same chance again. In politics, anyway, the postman seldom knocks twice.

There remained, however, a fallback position. In 1983, whatever its disappointment over seats, the Alliance — meaning the Liberals and the SDP together — came within 2.2 per cent of Labour's national aggregate vote. If the two separate components of the Alliance had combined at that stage, they could at least have hoped to emerge as a major player in the political game. But that is precisely what did not happen. The Alliance fell victim to internal resentments and jealousies, first between Jenkins and David Owen, and then between Owen and David Steel. In those circumstances, the result of the 1987 election, when Labour recovered to put eight percentage points between itself and its rival, was probably pre-ordained.

So those who had started out so bravely to found a new party in 1981 were driven back to their third line of defence. It was expressed, I recall, very vividly to me by Roy Jenkins in the summer of 1991 when I was making a series of programmes for Radio 3 called *The Gang that Fell Apart*. Describing it with typical candour as "the lowest case of all", the man who was already leader of the Liberal Democrat peers said that there was at least one thing the SDP could claim to have done: "We dragged the Labour Party back to some form of sanity which, without a shock as big as the creation of a new party, would never have happened." Curiously enough, in the same series of interviews, David Owen was more generous. He simply said: "We taught the Labour Party to be sensible."

The trouble, however, with statements of that kind is that they cannot be left simply lying on the table. Either things improve or they get worse. Lord Owen obviously took the second view — hence his declared support for John Major at the 1992 general election. Lords Jenkins, Williams and Rodgers, on the other hand, prudently held their peace. Why, therefore, should they have decided to speak out now and give Labour's new leader what sounded uncommonly like their endorsement for the next election?

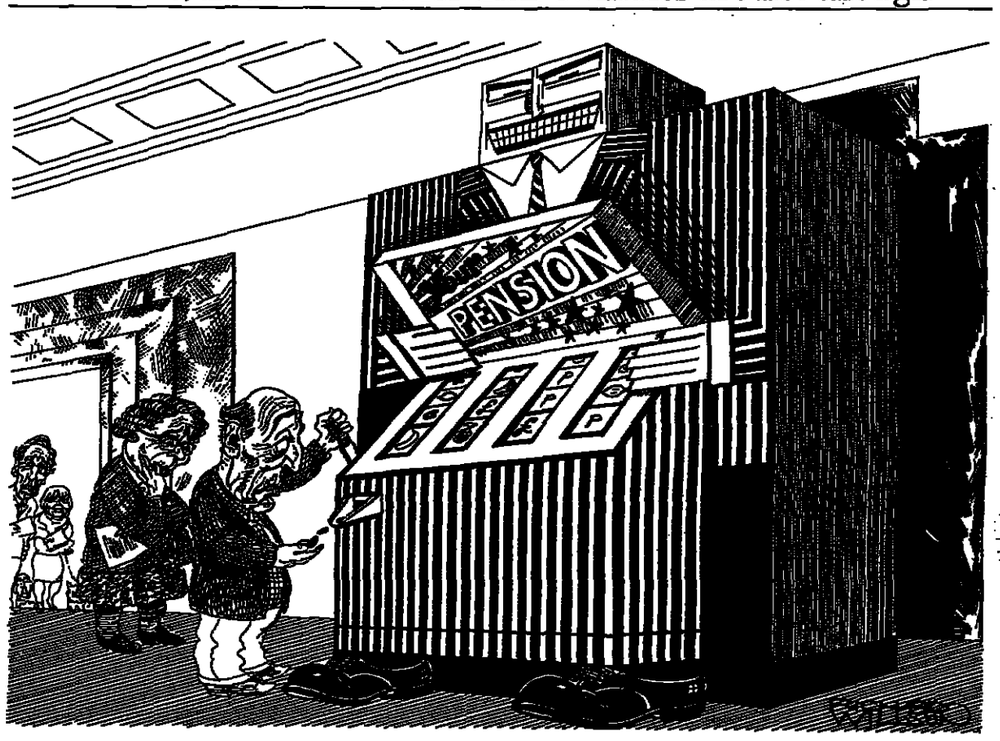
The answer to that question has to be personal. Pride alone probably dictated that they could never have done the same for Neil Kinnock or, indeed, for John Smith. Kinnock was altogether too much identified with the left of the Labour Party that they remembered, while Smith was so much the personification of traditional, decent Labourism that he made the SDP look like a forgotten middle-class frolic on the margin of British politics.

The advent of the young, personable Mr Blair has changed all that — and at the same time provided the pioneers of the old, secessionist SDP with the justification they have been searching for ever since their crusade ended in the shallows and miseries of the Epping Forest and Richmond by-elections of 1988 and 1989. There you are, they are at last entitled to say, we did not waste everyone's time, after all. The Labour Party is once again Hugh Gaitskell's party "of conscience and reform". We may not have changed the parameters of politics, but at least we moved the riverbed of British socialism.

Of course none of that means anything to Paddy Ashdown, who was a paid-up, believing Liberal long before the SDP was even a gleam in Roy Jenkins's eye. But the Liberal Democrat leader, above all, cannot escape the consequences of what has now been said and done. "Come home to Labour" was the theme of one of the last speeches made by Roy Hattersley in the 1987 election campaign. As an appeal to SDP defectors, it did not work then. In the light of the lead given by three out of the four founders of the party, it looks likely to have a much greater impact now.

Only public shaming will do

Since the insurance and pensions companies can rest on their billions, Lautro's fines for their swindles are not enough



Bernard Levin

Not much to my surprise, I find myself returning immediately to the subject of the scams that have damaged not only the good names of the insurance and pension companies (some of which are more than two centuries old, and only now have been besmirched by the behaviour of some of those who ran them), but — much more important — destroyed the hopes of hundreds of thousands of pensioners who have been swindled.

No, the word is *not* too strong — these people have been swindled out of much of the value of their pensions, and thus out of their hopes of a reasonably comfortable old age. And the swindling (I must stress that it is *not* criminal swindling) has been done by the great insurance companies, who are now shuffling, wriggling and twisting as they pretend that the blame is not on them but on their salesmen, though in truth every particle of blame belongs to them, and must be put where it should be — squarely on *them*. Let our Lindsay Cook start the indictment:

> ... household name insurance companies ... spent millions of pounds telling potential customers that their products were wonderful and their advisers beyond reproach. They were nothing of the kind. To make matters worse, they mounted a campaign of bluster against their critics. "Untrue and libellous" they said ... we were also accused of causing investors unnecessary worry. After all, nothing could be safer than the investments and advice given by insurance companies. "Remember the widows who will be left improverished if the insurance salesmen do not sell their policies hard" was the cry of the industry. Since then, most of those household names have been fined or disciplined or both ... a very different picture of the purveyors of insurance policies has been unveiled ... It began with the news that the man from the Pru had bullied its regulator into downgrading an official investigation into an informal inquiry of its pension transfer business. Then the Nationwide Building Society ... announced that it had suspended its 1,300 insurance salesmen and women for "retraining". [*I ask again, and will go on asking: if these people NOW need retraining, why didn't they have the retraining in the first place?* — B.L.] The very next day, Barclays Life was the subject of a public rebuke from the Securities and Investments Board ... Three of the biggest names in the insurance business ... had to admit that they were involved in questionable practices ...

If you open the window you can hear the wrigglers at wriggling time, as they wriggle to prove that black is white, not to say turquoise, maroon and heliotrope. When Royal Insurance — one of the oldest, soundest and (until now) most respected insurance companies — has to be gone over by City investigators and been found so completely lacking that *all* 1,050 of the company's salespeople are having to resit their professional examinations, you and I might think that something is somewhat amiss. Yet there was Mr Don Shore, deputy managing director, breezily claiming that the decision to "reassess" (what a glorious word for what you and I would call "try to find some way out of having to admit that the salesforce was a pack of shysters") was the company's decision, until he was obliged to admit that the decision was made only when Lautro came on the scene. (It gets better still: Mr Shore, after being visited by Lautro, said "What they have in effect asked us to do is to accelerate the companies' reassessment process and identify any weaknesses".)

But it isn't funny. At least, you would have to have a curious idea of fun to laugh at this vignette of insurance companies' world, discovered by Simon Hinde and Paul Nuki:

> ... Often paid only on commission, they cut every possible corner to win sales. Those who succeeded earned £1 million a year; those who failed were humiliated, even sacked on the spot. "We were told to sell, sell, sell, no matter what" ... The salesmen were not, however, selling double-glazing or timeshares. They belonged to some of the nation's most trusted life insurance companies — household names that were a byword for financial solidity and probity. Suddenly Middle England had been forced to contemplate the horrifying fact that the man from the Nationwide, the Norwich Union or the Royal may have been as untrustworthy as a second-hand car dealer in his selling techniques ... Only now are the villains, employees of some of Britain's biggest banks, building societies and insurance companies, conceding the scale of the misdemeanours.

Now this is not a South Sea Bubble. I have no sympathy for those who eagerly believe, when they are told that if they put all their money in the Fairygold Company Inc, that their nest-egg will immediately grow by 748 times, and if it is left to grow a full year it will undoubtedly multiply by 14,362 times *at least*. More grimly, I have to say that I have little time for those who lost their money in BCCI, dreadful though that smash was, for the losers were looking for rates that were not to be found in this world, and probably not even in the next. (And as for timeshares ...)

But these were wholly innocent people, the ones who were told by shysters (yes, I'll stand by that word too) in the form of respectable salesmen, that they would be better off in the long run, whereupon the victims were thereby persuaded to buy pensions wholly unfitted to their needs, or to change perfectly sound ones for others that would please the salesmen, but ruin the innocent buyers.

And those shysters — shysters, I repeat, who were not actually breaking the law — were able to please their employers mightily, those employers who told their salesmen to "Sell! Sell! Sell!", and who were "household names and a byword for financial solidity and probity". (As my late mother would say, "Down one side".)

So far, there is no serious cleansing property available to deal with this stinking midden: Lautro and its successor are doing all that can be done, viz. fining the insurance and pension companies. This has two drawbacks; first, the fines must be measured by the billions that the companies have, and are thus nothing but a spit in the ocean. The second problem is that no actual human being in the fingered company is a penny worse off; the fines go into the general coffers and in the end it is the shareholders and policyholders who, all unknowing, cough up.

One of the most important items in this story — perhaps the most important of all — is that we are not talking about the usual fly-by-nights who cut a corner or two and from time to time come a cropper in full view. There are such people in this business, as there are in any business, but these are nothing more than nuisances. The horror in this story is that those who come into court with dirty hands are the great names of the insurance and pension business.

You think I exaggerate? Let me recite the list of insurance or pension companies which have recently been fined by Lautro for a multitudinous variety of misdemeanours, including giving wrong advice and selling wrong goods: Norwich Union, Premium Life, Aegon, Independent Order of Foresters, Legal & General, Interlife, Cornhill, LAS, Crown Life, Colonial Mutual, Scottish Widows, Guardian, Canterbury Life, London & Manchester, Liberty Life, Prosperity Life, Laurentian Life, ManuLife, General Accident, Commercial Union Life, Cannon and NMFM. I listed them in the order of the size of the fines: Norwich Union was fined £350,000 and NMFM £45,000, and I don't believe that any of them mind a bit. (As for shame, few could spell it.)

But I am falling into my own trap. When I speak of this or that insurance or pension company, I think of an organisation, offices, shareholdings and the like. Those things are, indeed, a part of the structure of a company, but in that world it is easy to forget the most important element: people. It wasn't a *thing* called Norwich Union that did the dirty and was rightly fined £350,000, it was human beings, and I see no reason at all that the members of this monumental pigsty should not be shamed by being named. (For do not believe that they will — see above — be shamed by anything less.)

In any case, I for one am not finished with this story, and I shall not finish it until I have matched the sin to the sinner, to see the fines applied to those individuals who were to blame, starting from the top. I end, as I began, with some words from Lindsay Cook.

> Privately, respected names in the insurance business are appalled by the bad practices that were accepted by mass market insurers ... It is difficult to understand why they do not make their condemnations public.

I do not understand it, either.

More beer

THE TIMES DIARY

NORMALLY, Bill O'Hagan is just the sort of chap you can depend on to organise a pleasant hour or two at a beer festival. But sadly not at the Great British Beer Festival which is taking place in London's Olympia this week. O'Hagan, the journalist turned purveyor of exquisite sausages, has been banned.

O'Hagan's exile, it seems, is a direct result of his rather over-enthusiastic participation in last year's festival. While he readily admits to having overdone it then, he was astonished to find himself barred when he arrived to set up his sausage stall, which dispenses such exotic varieties of prize-winning bangers as pork, apricot and cognac or beef and Guinness to the thirsty hordes.

"I was surprised. I drink like hell and I love it and I did go over the top last year, but that's what I thought beer festivals were for." Real ale, he says, is his passion. "I live for ale and sausages. I haven't had a pint of lager since 1970."

Camra, the real ale body which organises the festival and of which O'Hagan is an enthusiastic founder member, declines to comment. O'Hagan, however, cheerfully admits that, at last year's festival, he drank an "enormous amount. I tasted every different type and there were over 240 of them. I didn't mean to upset anyone. I don't know what I did, but it's possible I don't remember."

So, while other real ale enthusiasts sample the delights inside Olympia, he is holding court across the road at the Frigate and Firkin. Next year, however, he hopes to be back inside with his sausages. "Everything blows over."

● *As the Liberal Democrats again contemplate climbing into bed with the Labour Party, there are smiles in Tony Blair's office. Tom Allan, the scientist father of Blair's press officer Tim, has just defected to the Labour Party after many years as a paid-up Lib Dem. His son is delighted: "The more members the better. I haven't told Tony yet. I don't know what he'll say. His father's a Tory."*

New lines

AS BRITISH and Spanish trawlermen confront each other, the Labour Party, I am glad to hear, is doing its bit for piscine welfare. It has published a consultation paper on angling. How thorough it is remains open to doubt. Its main consultant appears to be a journalist for *Yorkshire on Sunday*.

Colin Dyson, the paper's angling commentator, is also, to be fair, a consultant for the National Federation of Anglers. "A lot of it looked familiar," he says, "which isn't surprising, since I wrote it." He was telephoned a mere two weeks ago by a Labour researcher. Last week the paper was published.

"It was quite pleasing that they took account of what I said," comments Dyson. "But they certainly turned it out in a hurry."

Not so, insists Elliot Morley, Labour MP for Glanford and Scunthorpe, and the party's fisheries spokesman. "It's taken us about a year to put this together. He's just one of the people we contacted."

Bid for better

SOTHEBY'S, according to that old chestnut of the antiques market, are auctioneers trying to be gentlemen while Christie's are gentlemen trying to be auctioneers. But there is such a thing as overdoing it — a danger which Sotheby's now hope to eliminate by sending every member of staff on a course to help eliminate any incipient uppishness.

The charm course precedes the establishment of a "client servicing department", which, Sotheby's assure me, will result in the most courteous behaviour in their rooms. "Many people are daunted by going to an auction house," says the firm's Luke Rittner, "so we are aiming to surprise clients by the degree to which we will endeavour to provide a service for them."

● *RADIO 4's summer party at the Chelsea Physic Garden was not the public relations success the network might have wished. Prunella Scales lost no time in taking the station's controller Michael Green to task. "Isn't it true they've replaced the directors' course with an accountants' course?" "No," replied a defensive Green. "I think that might be television."*



Inglorious?

WITH the Glorious Twelfth almost upon us, a nostalgic oiling of guns is underway at Gunnerside, the 32,000-acre North Yorkshire sporting estate put up for sale this spring by Earl Peel. Preparations are all the more poignant this season, probably Peel's last as owner, since he freely admits it will not be Gunnerside's best.

"There are grouse around, but it's not that good. We're talking about a recovery year from a very poor season last year," he tells me. "Next year should be very good." Grousing aside, Peel, 47, a descendant of Sir Robert Peel, is out to enjoy himself once the guns arrive. "We'll have a fine time regardless."



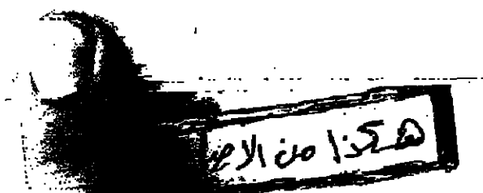
Family fare

KEEPING it in the family are the Magnussons, whose family reminiscences are being aired this week and next on Radio 4 in *My Father's Land*. Not only has Magnus (*left*), the patriarch, been interviewed by his daughter Sally (*right*), but the programme has been produced by her sister Anna. All of which leaves brother Jon (pronounced "Yonie"), who also works for Radio 4, feeling a little left out. But then unlike his sisters he doesn't speak Icelandic.

Anna, a producer with Radio Scotland, had the idea. "It came out of a trip around Iceland I made two years ago. I wanted to look back at our roots." Her father, the *Mastermind* host, was born in Reykjavik and moved to Leith when he was nine months old. He still holds an Icelandic passport.

Working with family, she says, was a pleasant experience. "It was remarkably trouble-free. But I don't think I'll be doing it again. I think we've exhausted that vein."

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RESUME NORMAL SERVICE

Railtrack must not miss another opportunity

Yesterday' decision by 380 signalling supervisors not to join the rail strike may well be the turning point of the dispute. For eight weeks, Railtrack, the holding company which controls the signalling and infrastructure, has avoided complete stoppage by using supervisors and managers to perform the signalmen's routine tasks. This latest ballot, held by the Rail, Maritime and Transport Union, means that a skeleton service will still be available to commuters when the action is renewed next Friday. Robert Horton, the company's chairman, has at last been given a breathing space: he will squander it at his peril.

The managers' vote suggests that Jimmy Knapp, the union's leader, has overestimated the uniformity of opinion among his members. There has been some evidence of aggression and intimidation towards non-strikers during the dispute which may have been counterproductive. The claim that a militant faction within the RMT leadership has been edging the union away from the negotiating table may also have alarmed its moderate members. After two months of serious disruption, yesterday's vote should indicate a turning of the tide.

Mr Horton cannot take this shift for granted, however. The principal factor uniting the workforce over the last eight weeks has been the serious incompetence of the Railtrack management. The company's most recent offer of 4.5 per cent on earnings with a 2.5 per cent cost-of-living increase and a £250 lump sum is comparatively generous. Yet Railtrack's campaign of persuasion has still made little impact on the signalmen. Mr Horton's flippant offer this week to donate the difference between his £120,000 salary and the £46,000 earned by Mr Knapp was particularly damaging. It suggested that the Railtrack chairman believes the politics of gesture can resolve a conflict which has moved far beyond that stage.

The more prominent role now being taken by Sir Bob Reid, the chairman of British Rail, is a welcome and overdue development. He must exploit the opportunity provided by yesterday's vote to encourage both sides to renew negotiations without delay. Mr Knapp must take heed of the message that has been sent to him by his members. Mr Horton should present a less arrogant face to his workforce and a more humble one to the commuters he serves. The public's anger at the dispute is growing and will be exacerbated by the planned two-day strike on August 15 and 16. But that anger is directed at Railtrack no less than at the strikers.

Mr Horton has much work to do to restore public confidence. He must make it clear that he is determined to end the strike — by negotiation if possible, but by other means if not. The "options of a very serious nature" to which he has already alluded must include the dismissal of the strikers and rehiring of staff on personal contracts. The obvious risk of so drastic a measure is that the rail system might shut down completely until sufficient staff were rehired. When President Reagan sacked the striking air traffic controllers in the United States in 1981, he was able to replace them immediately with military-trained staff. Such a course will not be available to Railtrack.

Yet, presented with a choice between unemployment and individual contracts, it is likely that a considerable proportion of the workforce will choose the latter. The old-fashioned inflexibilities of the signallers' pay structure could be removed at a stroke and Railtrack thereby made more attractive to private investors. That would be in the long-term interests of employees and employers alike. Such a step would cause convulsions in the public transport system; but it is a step that the Government and Railtrack may eventually have to take. The RMT can still ensure that they do not have to do so.

SHARKS IN THE WATER

The Spanish fishing fleet is too big and must be cut

Albacore tuna migrate north-east each May from the Azores to the west coast of Ireland. As they reach the Bay of Biscay, they are hunted by nearly 500 Spanish, French, Irish and British fishing vessels. Because albacore tuna are deemed to be in plentiful supply in the eastern Atlantic, the catch is not subject to quotas under the European Union's common fisheries policy although there are rules governing the tackle trawlers use. For fishermen chafing under EU restrictions on hake or cod, these tuna are shoals of gold. Predictably, therefore, too many boats are chasing too few fish. Tempers fray. That cannot excuse the Spanish fishermen's resort, this season, to high seas piracy, but the outrageousness of their methods does not mean that their complaints are groundless.

British trawlers have now been caught up in the sea-battles. The disputes are allegedly about the size of gill-nets used by the French, British and Irish fleets. The Spanish maintain their rivals are cheating, using nets longer than the 2.5km maximum stipulated by Brussels. Until last December, the French fleet, whose tuna catch has more than doubled in value this decade, had an EU derogation from these rules. But they still routinely carry "spare" nets which the Spanish contend they use illegaliy.

To British complaints about the attacks by Spanish "wolf packs" on three British trawlers, Spain retorted yesterday that EU inspectors caught British boats this week using over-sized nets. Cutting nets on the high seas is no way to obtain proof, but this may technically be true, because some British trawlers use nets that contain gaps to allow dolphins to escape and are thus longer, although the area of actual mesh is within the 2.5km limit. There is a powerful environmental case for switching to these nets: of the 15 per cent of the tuna catch in the Bay of Biscay which is "incidental" — fishing jargon for unintended — 93 per cent are common or striped dolphins. British ministers should press this case; meantime, British trawlers must abide by the existing rules.

There may be an argument, on conservation grounds, for outlawing gill-nets altogether. That is the Spanish demand, which the European Commission supports. But technology is only one part of the conservation equation; the other is the size of fleets. Spain claims that its tuna fishers use traditional cane rods and lines which are environmentally friendly, and that its rivals' methods will ruin the fishing grounds. That case would carry more weight were not the Spanish fleet so huge, with 400 vessels to around 50 French and a mere 11 British, and were not its anual catch of 18,000 tonnes far greater than that of all the others combined.

The Biscay tuna wars cannot be divorced from the overcapacity in the EU fishing industry — which could catch as many fish as would be compatible with sustainable fisheries management even if it were cut by 40 per cent. Licences, quotas, restrictions on fishing gear, surveillance and fines are just palliatives; and Spanish fishermen, notorious for rule-breaking, routinely take out insurance to cover fines. Reducing the fleet is imperative. Spain, which has a third of EU capacity, should be the first to be cut. Instead it receives EU subsidies to build more boats. Governments must, in the end, stop subsidising boats to stay in business, switching funds to restructuring the industry and compensating laid-off fishermen. But landlubbers are sentimental about the hunters of the sea, and governments are nowhere near facing up to such unpopular remedies. Until they do, expect more wars at sea.

SOILED LINEN

Soap wars are the dirtiest in the field of human advertising

Persil may wash whiter but, if it does, it is a rare cleanser in the long-running saga of soap wars. Lever Brothers is today locked in legal combat with its mortal commercial rival, Procter & Gamble, over the latter's advertising claims suggesting that the newest incarnation of the world's oldest detergent powder, Persil Power, not only washes clothes but leaves them in shreds. The miracle powder, with its new-fangled manganese "accelerator", is alleged to do in a trice for underwear what millions of young people attempt to achieve in their jeans: that faded, scrubbed look with random holes to enhance the effect.

Lever Brothers has complained to the Advertising Standards Authority that such allegations send knocking advertising down to new depths. Perhaps. But detergent manufacturers certainly have a long tradition of the pot calling the kettle white. Generations of housewives have been cajoled into assorted acts of humiliation, mostly involving the display of soiled towels and tablecloths beside the priestly-white garments of their officious neighbours. Boasts that one has switched to this or that detergent come with accompanying innuendoes of class, status, and social docility. An entire genre of television advertising in the Fifties and Sixties is defined by Daz, Surf, Omo and Persil.

Since its invention, more than 90 years ago, soap powder has proved much the most vigorously competitive product of the consumer society. To hold a detergent account is the pinnacle of an advertising agency's ambition. Many a daring copywriter has dipped his pen in the vitriol of detergent and taken the nation's laundry to the cleaners. The concept of "Brand X" was forced on manufacturers by regulators scared that advertisers were sailing dangerously close to libel; claims that this or that powder was now "30 per cent more effective" relied on mathematical absurdities only remotely connected to the advance of knowledge.

Appropriately, the powder at the centre of the latest kerfuffle is Persil, a product that encapsulates the century's obsession with cleanliness. Invented in Germany in 1903, its name is a combination of the two ingredients: perborate and silicate. By 1913 the Henkel company employed 14 copywriters to advertise its product; their famous "White Lady" graced the packets for 40 years.

War interrupted production. The chemicals became unavailable. Then Germany lost its most famous monopoly, along with all its colonies, in the peace terms. Even after subsidiaries in allied nations successfully defied the owners to bring out their own Persil brands, the German company continued separately. So famous were its "schools of whiteness" that in 1945 those people cleared by Allied courts of Nazi association were said to have their "Persil certificate". Now, it seems, Persil is on the defensive again: the soap war continues.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Minister disputes NHS 'parsimony'

From the Minister for Health

Sir, As a recent arrival in the Department of Health, I cannot claim to be an expert on all matters healthy. However, even a fortnight's experience enabled me to spot that the assertions made by Sir Raymond Hoffenberg, in his letter of August 4 about NHS funding, were just plain wrong.

He alleged "parsimony" in the Government's spending on the NHS over the last ten or 15 years. The facts tell a different story. Between 1978-79 and 1993-94 spending on the NHS increased on average by 3.4 per cent in real terms every year, with total spending increasing by 66 per cent since 1979. Far from "parsimony", the Government's record is one of unparalleled increases in resources for the health service — and we are committed to continuing real growth for the NHS.

Sir Raymond also claims that Britain's health spending comes "very close to the bottom of the OECD league". The figures he used employ very different definitions of health systems and confuse private and public spending. Even on this basis, the OECD figures also show that if we look at what *governments* spend on health, Britain jumps to a mid-table position. And only two weeks ago, the OECD were commending our health reforms as an example to be followed by other countries.

The debate initiated by Sir Duncan Nichol and his colleagues about the future of the health service is an important one. It is right that it should be pursued on the basis of correct information.

I would be delighted to meet Sir Raymond Hoffenberg to discuss further the points he has made.

Yours sincerely,
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Blair's leadership

From Sir Richard Greenbury, Chairman of Marks and Spencer plc

Sir, As I read a jumble of press reports, each attempting to out-do the other, I am left wondering what the small shareholder or for that matter our customers and staff must make of it all.

Over many years we have endeavoured to maintain a dialogue with leading members of all political parties to exchange views and answer any questions they may have about the current trading climate. It therefore seems entirely appropriate that we should ask to meet Mr Blair (report, August 1) in order to discuss areas of common interest. He has visited our offices in the past and I sincerely hope that he will be able to find time to continue to do so now that he is Leader of the Labour Party.

To have this translated into an abrupt change of political allegiance, as one other broadsheet described it, is totally irresponsible, particularly as we shall undoubtedly continue to support the Conservative Party in order to maintain a balance with trade union funding of the Labour Party.

Newspapers, often the only providers of information, must surely take a more responsible attitude to factual reporting.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD GREENBURY,
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From Dr H. A. Will

Sir, Mr Robert Woodward (letter, July 30), in his assessment of a Blair-led Labour Party, takes Lady Thatcher's much-quoted comment on society out of context. In *The Downing Street Years* (p626) she writes:

My meaning, clear at the time but subsequently distorted beyond recognition, was that society was not an abstraction, separate from the men and women who composed it, but a living structure of individuals, families, neighbours and voluntary associations ... Whenever I heard people complain that "society" should not permit some particular misfortune, I would retort, "And what are you doing about it, then?" Society for me was not an excuse, it was a source of obligation.

I believe that Lady Thatcher was closer to the truth than her critics. Not only "society" but also "government" are frequently used as alibis for individual responsibility and initiative. For example, in the social sphere, as Dr John Campion in his perceptive letter (July 30) implies, in the context of family values politicians' rhetoric is no substitute for the commitment and unselfishness of married partners, supported by the right legal structures.

Governments are essentially enablers. We expect too much of them and not enough of ourselves. Tony Blair may understand this but the crucial question is whether a Labour government with its historic legacy of socialism will prove more effective in this respect than a Conservative government.

Yours faithfully,
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Door opens for deaf to sit on juries

From Lord Ashley of Stoke, CH

Sir, The report in your Law section of July 26, on voice-recognition computers which can decipher the spoken word and simultaneously translate it onto a screen, is correct in pointing out the system's benefits to lawyers. May I suggest, however, that deaf people have even more to gain from it.

Deaf people have historically been excluded from serving on juries in Britain. The recent case of Mrs Elaine Heath, a deaf person discharged from jury service at Kings Lynn Crown Court because the judge doubted her ability to follow proceedings, brought this issue to national attention (report, January 21, 1994).

The important amendment 43 to the Criminal Justice Bill, passed last month in the Lords, means that judges must presume in favour of a deaf person's ability to serve as a juror. With computer systems which can "hear" the spoken word, such as court proceedings, and instantly transcribe them onto a screen in front of a juror, there is little reason why deaf people should not serve as jurors.

Some argue that the importance of oral evidence in a court lies not merely in what is being said, but in the manner in which it is being said. However, deaf people, while unable to hear the tone of voice, are much more aware of body language, facial expression and other non-verbal signals than many hearing people, and so are at an advantage in detecting a defendant's signals of guilt or innocence.

Progress in the law, such as the recent House of Lords amendment, coupled with advances in computer technology, will bring the communication barriers crashing down, and end decades of exclusion for deaf people.

Yours faithfully,
JACK ASHLEY, President,
Royal National Institute
for Deaf People,
105 Gower Street, WC1.
August 2.

VJ-Day recalled

From Mr Anthony J. Cavendish

Sir, The Government suffered considerable embarrassment over the initial plans for the activities to recall the 50th anniversary of D-Day. In Paris, on the 14th of July, the French invited German soldiers in armoured vehicles to participate in the celebrations of their national day.

Next year we have the VE-Day anniversary, and there is talk of German troops participating. Next year also sees the 50th anniversary of VJ-Day.

In view of the appalling pictures shown on television last night (*The Valour and the Horror*, Channel 4) of the treatment of Canadian prisoners of war in Hong Kong, and with the memory of the thousands of other British and Commonwealth troops who were starved or tortured to death, does the Govern ent intend to invite the Japanese to participate in the VJ-Day commemoration?

Yours etc,
ANTHONY J. CAVENDISH,
Lowfields,
Hartley Wintney, Hampshire.
August 1.

From Lord Alport

Sir, It is right that the successes and sacrifices of the British forces in Europe and civilians in the United Kingdom should be properly remembered. It was a famous victory.

But for the British Army in the Far East and the civilians in Japanese prison camps, the war continued in all its savagery, with great successes, but with no early end in sight. The end came suddenly and unexpectedly with the atom bombing of Japan. To celebrate VE-Day and VJ-Day separately would, I think, tend to make the latter seem an anti-climax. Moreover, VJ-Day would inevitably tend to reignite controversy over the justification of using the atomic weapon.

I feel strongly that what we should be celebrating next year is the end of World War II at a date which is neither VE-Day nor VJ-Day, but which enables everyone who has memories of those years to mark the marvellous sense of relief and achievement which was brought by the coming of peace.

Yours faithfully,
ALPORT,
The Cross House, Layer-de-la-Haye,
Colchester, Essex.
August 4.

Environmental goals

From the Director-General of the British Nuclear Industry Forum

Sir, The recent hot weather and the discomfort experienced by asthmatics reveals the necessity for plain speaking about the impact of fossil fuels on the environment. In this respect I was disappointed by the negative remarks of the Greenpeace Executive Director, Peter Melchett, in his letter (August 2).

Nuclear power is a prime candidate for sustainable development. The Prime Minister, John Major, recognised this when he launched the Government's policy on this issue in January. In addition, without nuclear power Britain would have to cut back an extra 31 million tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions, on top of the 36 million tonnes it has already pledged in international agreements. "Pollution taxes" can never be a substitute for nuclear power's positive contribution to the environment, unless they were set at a level which would bust the British economy.

I believe that the time has come for Greenpeace to consider co-operating with the nuclear industry to fulfil some shared environmental goals. Informed rational discussion is always preferable to firing shots across each other's bows. My door, for one, remains open.

Yours faithfully,
ROGER HAYES, Director-General,
British Nuclear Industry Forum,
22 Buckingham Gate, SW1.

Aid for Sudan

From Mr Ranald Boyle

Sir, Admirable though it is that Britain should do its bit in Rwanda by sending aid and troops, it would be even more admirable if HMG would focus similar attention on Sudan, where we have a far greater moral responsibility and historic relationship.

Certainly we send aid to Sudan, but that in itself is not sufficient to bring the warring parties in Sudan's civil war to the negotiating table and reach a peaceful solution. Strong political pressure from the international community, as in Rwanda, is needed to persuade the illegal regime of General al-Bashir to allow the oppressed Sudanese to achieve democratic government again. Humanitarian aid on its own, distributed by kind permission of the Sudan government, merely keeps the general and his henchmen in power and perpetuates oppression.

Failing action by Britain and the West, let us have more media coverage on Sudan with scenes on camera. This will remind the public that, according to statistics, possibly 44,000 children have died in Sudan's civil war in 1993, and as many as 250,000 since the present conflict started 11 years ago. It should be to our eternal shame that we have allowed this problem to go on for so long.

Yours faithfully,
RANALD BOYLE
(District Commissioner,
Southern Sudan, 1948-53),
906 Beatty House,
Dolphin Square, SW1.

Service pregnancies

From Mr N. J. Roper

Sir, Your leader of July 30 ("Price of pregnancy") castigating the MoD over its pregnancy dismissals was a welcome change from the general tendency to criticise the applicants, of whom I act for 35. There have been three main areas of inefficiency and profligacy:

1. The policy of dismissing pregnant servicewomen was contrary to European law, notwithstanding our Sex Discrimination Act which specifically excluded the Armed Forces. As a government department the MoD must have received advice to this effect, or at the very least should have done.

2. Even after the MoD admitted its actions had been unlawful, it failed to act to limit the damage. At that time there was a statutory limit of £10,000 on discrimination claims.

If the MoD had offered £8,000 to every applicant (instead of nominal amounts to some) the vast majority would have accepted. European case law subsequently removed the £10,000 limit, and included the right to claim interest, which has significantly increased the potential compensation for each case.

3. Even now the MoD responds to each case listed only at the eleventh hour, with the vast majority of cases settled at the door of the industrial tribunal, after the cost of local solicitors and Treasury counsel has been incurred. Presumably there must be ministers and civil servants who were responsible for such inertia still enjoying their ranks and privileges. It seems that government servants are immune from dismissal, unless of course they become pregnant.

Yours faithfully,
NICHOLAS ROPER,
Wolferstans (solicitors),
Deptford Chambers,
60-64 North Hill,
Plymouth, Devon.
August 1.

Homes for top brass

From Lady Fieldhouse

Sir, In view of the uproar over the "luxury homes" for service chiefs (report, August 2), and the belief that the Prime Minister intends to close at least one third of them, may one inquire if the Prime Minister intends to close Chequers, his very luxury country residence (staffed, incidentally, by service personnel) or the Foreign Secretary his luxurious country home, Chevening?

I have never seen the need for Chequers anyway, whereas the service chiefs do at least live in their residences while in the particular job warranting it.

Incidentally, what is intended to be done with these houses, many of them listed buildings? Allow them to decay as the fabric of almost everything in this country is doing?

Yours faithfully,
MIDGE FIELDHOUSE,
Pippins, 16 Ryde Place,
Lee-on-Solent, Hampshire.
August 2.

Rector who doubts existence of God

From Mr Tony Bennett

Sir, Thirty years ago John Robinson, then Bishop of Woolwich, shocked western Christianity by his book, *Honest to God*, in which he wrote, *inter alia*, "the whole conception of God 'out there' is becoming more of a hindrance than a help". And, "We can and must get on without a God 'out there' at all".

God in Us, Anthony Freeman's book which has led to his sacking as an Anglican parish priest (report, July 29) proclaims baldly what Robinson clothed in scholarly qualifications.

But the bishop was not sacked. Nor should Freeman have been. Whether he should have resigned voluntarily as unable to subscribe to orthodox belief would have been a matter for personal decision.

In the long run it is unwise to try to muzzle a prophet. It rarely works. As an ex-Methodist minister and since then a humanist I applaud Freeman's courage.

Yours etc,
TONY BENNETT,
7 Greenlawns,
Penylan, Cardiff.
July 29.

From the Rector of Chatham

Sir, There's more than a touch of irony in the liberal wing of the Church of England currently crying "Foul!" For years in universities, theological colleges, and during post-ordination training, orthodox men and women have had to endure the naive excesses of doctrinaire liberalism. And make no mistake about it, it can be persecutory, manifesting itself all too often in an unwillingness to listen and an arrogant dismissal of views contrary to its own claimed orthodoxy.

Of course, the liberal spectrum is very wide; there is no such thing as the liberal view: and it would be a very unloving, not to say short-sighted, attitude which would seek to prevent anyone from theological thought or exploration in its proper place.

What galls so many ordinary Christians — quite apart from the excessive media coverage given to unorthodox views at the expense of the really great theological thinking that is done within the far more challenging guidelines of orthodox doctrine — is the often cavalier way in which so-called academic integrity and personal sincerity are idolised over pastoral and leadership responsibilities.

Yours faithfully,
R. CAMPBELL PAGET,
The Rectory,
65 Maidstone Road, Chatham, Kent.
August 1.

From the Reverend Steven Griffith

Sir, The Reverend Anthony Freeman, in his last sermon before having his licence revoked, likened himself to Jeremiah and the way in which Jeremiah was banned from the House of the Lord for unpopular prophecies. I suggest that he has rather missed the point.

Jeremiah believed in God, not just as a manifestation of his own psyche and spirituality, but as an omnipotent God independent of, and indeed the creator of, man and the world in which we live.

This belief in God as a person is central to Christian belief; without it there can be no talk of faith or religion within the Church. Surely Mr Freeman should have had the integrity to resign his living before forcing the hand of his bishop.

Yours faithfully,
STEVEN GRIFFITH,
15 St Catherine's Close,
Colchester, Essex.
August 1.

Kinnock appointment

From Mr Robert Lewis

Sir, I would remind Mr Russell Hunt (letter, August 3), who condemns Neil Kinnock's appointment to Brussels, that Lynda Chalker and Christopher Patten were rejected by their constituents, the former promptly ennobled and both sent to preach democracy, in Africa and Hong Kong respectively.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT LEWIS,
131 Pullman Court,
Streatham Hill, SW2.

From Mr Peter Watson

Sir, Mr Russell Hunt surely misinterprets John Major's appointment of Neil Kinnock to the lofty heights of EC Commissioner for the UK. The appointment of a man of Mr Kinnock's stature and political insight shows exactly how Mr Major views both the Commission and the EU in general.

I am, your obedient servant,
P. W. WATSON,
The Knoll, 5 The Common,
Child Okeford, Blandford, Dorset.
August 3.

Surgical spirit

From Mr Anthony Wethered

Sir, Is it true, as the ladies in my family insist, that when a man goes to the (male) doctor, he is asked, "What's the trouble?" But when a woman goes, she is asked, "What seems to be the trouble?" And if so, why?

Yours truly,
ANTHONY WETHERED,
Brampton House, 100 High Street,
Marlow, Buckinghamshire.

COURT CIRCULAR

CLARENCE HOUSE
August 4: Today is the Anniversary of the Birthday of Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

Birthdays today

The Hon Charles Allsopp, chairman, Christie, Manson and Woods, 54; Professor Neil Armstrong, first man on the moon, 64; Mr Billy Bingham, football manager, 65; Mr Michael Diamond, director, Birmingham City Museums and Art Gallery, 52; Professor H.G. Dickinson, botanist, 50; Professor Sir Michael Drury, former president, Royal College of General Practitioners, 68; Miss Barbara Flynn, actress, 46; Miss Jacquetta Hawkes, archaeologist, 84; Miss Joan Hickson, actress, 88; Mr Alan Howard, actor, 57.

Field Marshal Sir Peter Inge, 59; Mr R.W. Jewson, former chairman, Meyer International, 50; Sir Michael Kerry, QC, former Procurator General and Treasury Solicitor, 71; Mr C.J. Kitching, secretary, Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts, 49; Mr Martin Lambie-Nairn, designer, 49; Sir Bert Millichip, chairman, Football Association, 80; Mr John Monks, general secretary, TUC, 49; Mr Eric Nicoli, group chief executive, United Biscuits (Holdings) 44; Mr Rodney Pattisson, yachtsman, 51; Mr K.P. Pearson, headmaster, George Heriot's School, Edinburgh, 53; Sir Eric Pountain, former chairman, Tarmac, 61; the Hon Miriam Rothschild, entomologist, 86; Mr Rob Saunders, rugby player, 26; Mr Nicholas Scott, MP, 61; Lord Sefton of Garston, 79; Mr Peter Smith, chairman, Coopers and Lybrand, 48; Mr John Spellar, MP, 47; Miss Theodora Turner, former matron, St Thomas' Hospital, 87; Mr John Whitaker, showjumper, 39.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Count Johann von Struensee, physician and politician, *Halle, Germany, 1737*; John Wrottesley, 2nd Baron Wrottesley, astronomer, Stafford, 1798; Alexander Kinglake, historian, Taunton, 1809; Edward John Eyre, explorer and Governor of Jamaica, Hornsea, Yorkshire, 1815; Guy de Maupassant, short story writer, Miromesnil, France, 1850; Conrad Aiken, novelist and poet, Savannah, Georgia, 1889; Clara Bow, the "It" girl film star, Brooklyn, New York, 1906; John Huston, film director, Nevada, Missouri, 1906; Harold Holt, Prime Minister of Australia 1966-67, Sydney, 1908.

DEATHS: Thomas Newcomen, inventor of the atmospheric steam engine, London, 1729; James Gibbs, architect, London, 1754; Frederick North, 2nd Earl of Guildford, Prime Minister 1770-82, London, 1792; Richard Howe, Earl Howe, admiral, 1799; Friedrich Engels, co-author of The Communist Manifesto 1848, London, 1895; Phil May, cartoonist, London, 1903; Arthur Meighen, Prime Minister of Canada 1920-21 and 1926, Toronto, 1960; Marilyn Monroe, actress, Los Angeles, 1962; Richard Burton, actor, Geneva, 1984.

The first traveller's cheque, devised by American Express, was cashed, 1891.

The first electric traffic lights were installed in Cleveland, Ohio, 1914.

The Nuclear Test Ban Treaty was signed by Britain, America and Russia, 1963.

University news

Cambridge
Selwyn College
Elected to a Fellowship from September 1: Mrs J A O'Sullivan (née Neale), MA.

Liverpool
Honorary Degrees 1994
The university has conferred honorary degrees upon the following:
Chau Cham-Son — Doctor of Laws: Chau Cham-Son was *Director of Building and Lands for* Hong Kong from 1984 until his retirement in 1989. He studied civic design at the University of Liverpool in 1959 and is president of the university's graduates' association in Hong Kong.
Barry Johnson — Doctor of Veterinary Science: Barry Johnson was President of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons in 1993-94. He is a graduate of the university.
Lady Howe of Aberavon — Doctor of Laws: Lady Howe is President of the UK Committee of UNICEF and Chairman of the Broadcasting Standards Council.
John Maddox — Doctor of Science: John Maddox has edited *Nature*, one of the most highly regarded general scientific journals in the world, for 20 years (1966-73 and 1980-).
Averil Mansfield — Doctor of Medicine: Averil Mansfield was the first woman in the UK to become a professor of surgery. She is Professor of Surgery at St Mary's Hospital Medical School, Senior Lecturer in Vascular Surgery at Hammersmith Hospital and Honorary Consultant at Great Ormond Street. She studied medicine at the university.
Noel Rawsthorne — Doctor of Music: Noel Rawsthorne is an organist of international standing who taught at Liverpool Institute of Higher Education until his retirement in 1993. He was principal organist at Liverpool Cathedral for 25 years (1955-80) and, subsequently City Organist and Artistic Director at St George's Hall, Liverpool (1980-84).
Sir Peter Shepheard — Doctor of Letters: Sir Peter Shepheard is one of the most distinguished architecture graduates of the University of Liverpool. He has been President of the Royal Institute of British Architects, the Architectural Association and the Institute of Landscape Architects.
William Stothart — Doctor of Laws: William Stothart was a member of the Council of the University of Liverpool from 1977 to 1993 and Treasurer of the University from 1986 to 1993.
Sir Donald Wilson DL — Doctor of Laws: Sir Donald Wilson has been Chairman of Mersey Regional Health Authority, now North West Regional Health Authority, since 1982.

Southampton
The university has announced the following promotions:
Personal Chairs
Dr A E Davies (Electrical Engineering); Mr N J J Gaskell (Law); Dr R F Grimble (Nutrition); Dr W Hall (Electronics & Computer Science); Mr A F Rutherford (Law); Dr K Sharpe (History); Dr C J Skinner (Social Statistics).
Readership
Dr R S Usher (School of Education).
Senior Lectureships
Dr P Middleton (English); Dr W J Marshall (French); Dr A P Hart (Education); Dr J R Calvert (Mechanical Engineering); Dr G G Swinerd (Aeronautics and Astronautics); Dr J K Sykulski (Electrical Engineering); Mr J Montgomery (Law); Dr C P Please (Mathematical Studies); Dr A D Fitt (Mathematical Studies); Dr T P Fleming (Biology); Dr M C Grossel (Chemistry); Dr P J Statham (Oceanography); Dr A E S Kemp (Oceanography); Dr E J Milton (Geography); Dr B H Blott (Physics); Mr J E V Johnson (Accounting and Management Science); Mr N A D Connell (Accounting and Management Science); Dr M Ni Bhrolcain (Social Statistics).

Laughter at Terry Scott's funeral

NEIL MUNNS



Maggie Scott, the comedian's widow, with two of their daughters, Alexandra, left, and Nikki, at Godalming parish church for the funeral yesterday

LAUGHTER echoed around the church yesterday as friends and family of the comedian Terry Scott gathered for his funeral.

Afterwards his screen wife June Whitfield said that her co-star would have been delighted by the congregation's pleasure in the funny stories told about him during the service. "He would have enjoyed people laughing in the church."

Ms Whitfield and her husband Tim Aitchison sat behind Mr Scott's widow Maggie and their four daughters during the packed service in his local parish church at Godalming, Surrey.



June Whitfield, co-star of *Terry and June*, yesterday

The comedian, who died of cancer aged 67 last week, was known and respected by hundreds of neighbours and friends in the Godalming and Witley areas. It was they who formed the bulk of the congregation at the funeral service, which was followed by a private cremation.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr I.P.M. Anderson and Miss A. King
The engagement is announced between Ian, younger son of the late Mr P.R.H. Anderson, OBE, and of Mrs Kenneth Rackham, of Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire, and Annabel, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Christopher King, of Tetbury, Gloucestershire.

Mr A. Benavides and Miss T. Clark
The engagement is announced between Alfonso, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Manuel Benavides, of Madrid, Spain, and Tracy, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Colin Clark, of Shamley Green, Surrey.

Mr J.R.G. Harris and Miss Z.K. Shaw
The engagement is announced between John Robert Gorrell, younger son of Mr and Mrs John Harris, of Tremeirchion, Clwyd, and Zerynthia Katharine, daughter of Dr and Mrs Mark Shaw, of Edinburgh.

Mr J.G. Hatchley and Miss R.M. Batterham
The engagement is announced between James, son of Mr James Hatchley and Mrs David North, of Dibden Purlieu, Hampshire, and Rhona, daughter of Dr and Mrs John Batterham, of Dawlish, Devon.

Mr S. Hatfield and Miss C. Worsley
The engagement is announced between Stefano, son of the late Edwin Hatfield and of Mrs Loreta Hatfield, of Norbury, South London, and Charlotte, daughter of General Sir Richard Worsley and of Lady (S.) Worsley.

Mr S.A. Nordon and Miss C.P.B. Newth
The engagement is announced between Simon, eldest son of Mr P. Nordon, of Woking, and Mrs J. Nordon, of Guildford, and Bunty, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs T.C.H. Newth, of Ebberley, Devon.

Mr W. Woodhead and Miss H. Hiser
The engagement is announced between William, son of Dr Jay and Dr Diana Woodhead, of Bridport, Dorset, and Helen, daughter of Mr and Mrs Alec Hiser, of Dartford, Kent.

Mr C.L. Hargrove and Miss C.S. Calhoon
The marriage took place on Saturday, July 23, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Austin, Texas, of Mr Charles Lockhart Hargrove, elder son of Mr and Mrs Charles Hargrove, of Paris, France, to Miss Catherine Sumner Calhoon, daughter of Dr Jim Calhoon and Mrs Jacqueline Calhoon, of Austin, Texas.

Mr R.J. Oram and Miss E.L. Brisseaden
The engagement is announced between Roger, younger son of the late Captain and Mrs Dennis Oram, of Hamble, Hampshire, and Erica, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Oliver John Brissenden, of Guildford, Surrey.

Mr D.A. Taylor and Miss E.L. Bateman
The engagement is announced between Douglas, only son of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Taylor, of Tonbridge, Kent, and Emma, only daughter of Mr and Mrs James Bateman, of Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Mr R.J. Wadman and Miss L.C. Tookey
The engagement is announced between Robert, only son of Captain and Mrs J.R. Wadman, of Bishops Sutton, Hampshire, and Louise, eldest daughter of Mr R. Tookey, of London, WC1, and Mrs V. Tookey, of Dorking.

Mr J.M.M. Walker and Miss H.S.M. Williams
The engagement is announced between Jonathan, son of Mr John Walker, of Cheltenham, and Mrs Geoffrey Purefoy, of Buckingham, and Harriet, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs Ronald Williams, of London, SW10.

Marriage

Baron C-G.E.S. Åkerhielm and Miss A.M. Loudon
The marriage took place on Thursday, June 16, 1994, in Nairobi, Kenya, between Baron Carl-Gustaf Åkerhielm and Miss Arabella Loudon.

Church news

Appointments
The Rev Penelope Avann, Warden of Pastoral Assistants and Parish Deacon, St John, Beckenham: to be also an Honorary Canon of Rochester Cathedral (Rochester)
The Rev Angela Bailey, permission to officiate, diocese of York: to be Anglican Chaplain to the University of Hull, same diocese.
The Rev Paul Bayes, Team Rector, Wycombe Team Ministry (Oxford): to be Team Rector, Totton (Winchester).
The Rev Eric Bennett, Curate, Berkswich Holy Trinity: to be Resident Minister, Bilbrook Holy Cross (Lichfield).
The Rev Ian Cardinal, Team Rector, Ancaster and Wilsford group (Lincoln): to be Priest-in-charge, Wigginton (Lichfield).
The Rev Geoffrey Charrett, Chaplain, Gordons School: to be Priest-in-charge, Hambledon (Guildford).
The Rev Alan Cole, Vicar-Chaplain, St Edward King and Martyr, Cambridge, Chaplain at Brookfields Hospital, and Chaplain at the Arthur Rank Hospice, Cambridge: to be Priest-in-charge, Gamlingay w Hatley St George, and East Hatley and Gamlingay Heath (Ely).
The Rev Melia Cope, NSM, West Bromwich All Saints: to be Team Member w special responsibility for Town Centre, Central Telford Team Ministry (Lichfield).
The Rev Peter Cope, Industrial Chaplain, Black Country Urban Industrial Mission (BCUIM), and Resident Minister, West Bromwich All Saints: to be Town Centre Chaplain, Central Telford Team Ministry (Lichfield).
The Rev David Ditch, Curate, Biddulph: to be the Incumbent, Hednesford St Peter (Lichfield).
The Rev Martin Green, Vicar, St Aidan's, Southcoates, Kingston-upon-Hull (York): to be Children's Officer for diocese of Coventry and Priest-in-charge, Bishop's Itchington (Coventry).
The Rev Kit Gray, Assistant Priest, Rushmere St Andrew: to be Priest-in-charge, Offton, Willisham, Great Bricett, Ringhsall and Battisford (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich).
The Rev Moira Hansen, Curate, Broadwater parish church, Worthing (Chichester): to be Chaplain, Co-ordinator of Parish Placements and Tutor in Pastoral Studies at Oak Hill Theological College, London.
The Rev David Harper, Vicar, Brinsley w Underwood: to be Rector, Bingham (Southwell).
The Rev Ian Hedges, Vicar, St Mark, Farnborough: to be also Diocesan Chaplain for the Homeless (Guildford).
The Rev Stephen Hotchen, Rector, Dingwall and Strathpeffer (Moray, Ross and Caithness): to be the Incumbent, Rickerscote (Lichfield).
The Rev John Walker, Children's Adviser, Southwark diocese Board of Education: to be Vicar, St John the Evangelist, Walworth (Southwark).
Resignations and retirements
The Rev Maurice Woodward, Rector, St Andrew w. St Mary, How Caple; St Michael, Sollarshope; St Tysilio, Sellack; St John Baptist, King's Caple; St Mary, Foy; St Dubricius, Hentland; St Catherine, Hoarwithy (Hereford): to retire as from August 7.

Latest wills

Mr John Pym, of Brasted Chart, Kent, the architect, and a former master of the Tylers' and Bricklayers' Company, left estate valued at £1,168,974 net.

Mr Kenneth David Zerny, of Buckinghamshire Hill, Chipperfield, Hertfordshire, late company director, left estate valued at £2,691,539 net.

Sir George Keith Agnew, 5th Bt. of Rougham, Suffolk, left estate valued at £1,185,942 net.
He left £1,000 and a further £50 for each year of service in his family's employ each to Hugh C Hordern and David I Stabler, and a further £8,000 to his executors to distribute to the remainder of the employees of the Rougham Estate.

Professor John Kenneth Sinclair St Joseph, of Histon Manor, Histon, Cambridgeshire, the archaeologist, left estate valued at £1,220,390 net.
On the death of his wife he left £150,000 to Selwyn College, Cambridge, to endow a junior research fellowship, the holder to undertake research in one of the following fields: European archaeology, ancient or medieval history, ecology of plants and/or animals, remote sensing and geology.

Mr William Mackman Clayson, of Potters Bar, Hertfordshire, left estate valued at £3,465,505 net.
He left £2,000 to the Royal Pharmaceutical Society, half for the Benevolent Fund and half for the Birdsgrove House Fund, and £1,000 each to Christ Church, Little Heath, Potters Bar, and the Save the Children Fund.

Professor Cyril Clifford Addison, of Millom, Cumbria, formerly of Beeston, Nottinghamshire, Emeritus Professor of Inorganic Chemistry at Nottingham University, left estate valued at £105,763 net.

Piping

Taxing tune wins Silver Chanter

BY ANGUS NICOL

THE drawing-room at Dunvegan Castle on the Isle of Skye was once the Great Hall. In those days the walls were uncovered, there was no ceiling, and the smoke from the fire, or most of it, found its way out through a hole in the roof high above. It was there that many of the great tunes of the MacCrimmons, hereditary pipers to MacLeod of MacLeod for nearly 300 years, had their first hearing.

It was there, too, that the 28th MacCrimmon Memorial piobaireachd recital took place this week, in the presence of John MacLeod, 29th Chief of MacLeods, and many other MacLeods, attending the quadrennial clan parliament.

Although the recital is not a competition, at the end the Silver Chanter is presented to *one of the pipers, selected this* year by Major John Allan. This is in commemoration of the silver chanter given by a fairy to the first of the MacCrimmons in about 1500.

The first to play was Murray Henderson, who has received the Silver Chanter five times including 1993. He played that great MacCrimmon lament for a MacLeod chief, Rory Macloude's Lament. This was a magnificent start to the evening.

Arthur Gillies followed, with a very fine performance of Fàilte Mhic Ghille Chaluim (MacLeod of Raasay's Salute), composed in 1761 by, it is thought, John Roy MacKay of Gairloch on the birth of a son and heir to MacLeod of Raasay.

Next came Bruce Woodley, who gave a precise and pleasing performance of Maol Dorn, or MacCrimmon's Sweetheart. The origin of the names is not known. Nor is the composer's name. Mr Woodley finished his performance by playing the *Crunluath Fosgailte a Mach*, which is all too rarely heard.

After a short interval, William MacCallum played Mál an Righ, otherwise called the King's Taxes. Whether rent or taxes, the reason for the name has long been lost, though the tune is thought to be a MacCrimmon composition. For this performance, William MacCallum received the Silver Chanter.

The last to play in the recital was Dr Angus MacDonald, who gave a beautiful performance of Cumha Na Cloinne (The Lament for the Children). Patrick Mór MacCrimmon's lament for the death within a year of seven of his eight sons. The remaining son, Patrick Og, composed the Lament for Mary MacLeod, the famous poetess and nurse to five of the MacLeod chiefs. This was played after the main recital by Malcolm MacRae.

The Silver Chanter was presented to William MacCallum by Sir Alistair Grant, chairman of the Argyll Group, which sponsored the *event. Then a presentation*, including an inscribed book of poems by Sorley MacLean, was made to Sir Alistair and Lady Grant by Neil Fraser on behalf of the John MacFadyen Memorial Trust, which organises the recital.

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I have not kept your goodness hidden in my heart; I have proclaimed your faithfulness and saving power, and have not concealed your unfailing love and truth.
Psalm 40:10

BIRTHS

FANNER - On August 2nd at St Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth, to Doris and Andrew, a son, Daniel Thomas Andrew.

FRANKLIN - On 3rd August at Greenwich District Hospital, to Moko (née Horikawa) and Gideon, a son, Samuel Gideon Arthur.

HARRIS - On August 1st, at the Royal Hospital for Women, Sydney, Australia, to Michele (née Beckley) and Jerry, a beautiful son, Christian James.

HEWITT - On July 29th 1994 at Queen Charlotte's, to Marni (née Hill-Reid) and Nicholas, a son, Alexander Jack.

KNIGHT - On 30th July, to Melanie (née Darroch) and Dickon, a son, Oswald John Darroch.

RIGGS - On August 1st, to Nicola (née Hutton) and Simon, a daughter, Charlotte Rose, a sister for Emily and William.

ST JOHN - On 3rd August, to Susannah (née Kell) and David, a son, Rory.

TOMKINSON - On July 31st, to Jane (née Temple) and Christopher, a daughter, Isobel, a beautiful sister for Alicia and Katie.

WALSH - On August 2nd at The Portland Hospital, to Alison (née Miller) and Jeremy, a wonderful son, Daniel, a brother for David.

DEATHS

ARCHER - Frederick Lynton who died peacefully on 3rd August 1994, aged 71. Greatly loved husband of Jean, brother of Lilian and father of Catherine, Elizabeth and John. Funeral Service at St Albans Cathedral on 10th August at 1.30 pm. Enquiries to Phillips (07277 861006.

DEATHS

ARMOUR-BROWN - Ellith (née Barnardo), peacefully on August 2nd. Much loved mother of Fiona, Ashlyn, Frederick and Rowan. The funeral will be held at Streetly Crematorium, near Walsall, Staffordshire, at 12 noon on Monday August 15th.

BANKS - On August 4th 1994, quietly but courageously passed away at Billingborough Hall after a long battle. Olwyn Delmar (Jane) (née Middleton) aged 82, much loved wife of John William Edward and mother of Warwick, Clayton and Ashley. Private cremation. A Memorial Service will be held at Witham-on-the-Hill in Lincolnshire at a later date.

BELL - On 3rd August 1994, peacefully at St George's Nursing Home, London, Marjorie, wife of the late Adam Bell. Funeral Service at Mortlake Crematorium at 4.30 pm on Tuesday 9th August.

BOXALL - On Wednesday 3rd August 1994, Barnard Boxall CBE, in his 88th year, at Cranleigh Village Hospital peacefully after a short illness. Service of Thanksgiving at 2.30 pm on Wednesday 10th August 1994 at St Nicholas Parish Church, Cranleigh, Surrey. No flowers please but donations if you wish either to Cancer Relief MacMillan Fund or Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

CASTE - Edward Raymond (Ted) of leukaemia on July 30th. Service at St John's Wood Church (by Lord's Cricket Ground) Friday August 12th at 12 noon. Friends welcome. Donations, rather than flowers please, to Cancer Research.

CHESHIRE - On August 4th 1994, peacefully, Ever Sara (Sally) née Hulse, aged 86 years, wife of the late Kyrn Cheshire and much loved mother of Jemima. Funeral Service on Wednesday August 10th at 3.45 pm at East Chapel, Golders Green Crematorium. No flowers please, donations at her request for Bishop Creighton House c/o Kenyon Funeral Directors, 83 Westbourne Grove, London W2 4UL.

DEATHS

COLLINS - On August 2nd 1994 in York, after a long brave battle, Bob aged 62. Beloved husband of Anne, father of Robert, Simon and Stephen. Cremation at 2.30pm on Tuesday August 9th at York Crematorium. Please, no flowers but donations if desired for the Friends of Leukaemia and Lymphoma Unit. The General Infirmary at Leeds may be sent to the Yorkshire Co-operative Funeral Service, Cromwell Road, York YO1 1DU. tel: (0904) 643936.

CRUICKSHANK - On August 3rd 1994, Ian, aged 83 years, formerly of Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank. Beloved husband of Angela, father of Richard and Catherine and grandfather of Lara, Clementine and Roseanna. Funeral Service at Woking St John's Crematorium on Wednesday August 10th at 3.30 pm. No flowers by request but donations if desired to the British Heart Foundation, c/o Woking Funeral Service. tel: (0483) 772266.

DU CANN - On August 4th 1994, Richard Dillon Lott, peacefully at The Harley Street Clinic. Loving husband of Marley and father to Charlotte, Christian, Ruth and Matthew and grandfather to Benoit, Mattias, India and Matthew. Funeral private. No flowers but if desired donations to The Cancer Relief MacMillan Fund, 15 Britten Street, London SW3 3TZ or Barristers Benevolent Fund, Smiths Square, Grays Inn, London WC1. No memorial service by request.

DUNSTAN - On 31st July suddenly in France on holiday with her family as she would have wished. *Waveney Freda, golden wife* to Roy, mother of Malcolm, Richard, Simon and Paul and superb grandmother to nine. Memorial service to follow.

DEATHS

EVERETT - John Derek, suddenly after a short illness in Guy's Hospital on 31st July, aged 66. Much loved husband of Heather, father of Mark and Rupert, father-in-law of Hilary. Funeral at Grove Park Cemetery, Marvels Lane, SE12, at 2 pm on Wednesday 10th August. Enquiries to Francis Chappell & Sons. (081) 690-2268.

GANNAWAY - On 2nd August after a long illness, Maureen Elizabeth, widow of Derek, mother of Gillian, Graham, Timothy and Sarah. The service will take place on Wednesday 10th August at 2.30 pm at Luton Crematorium. *Family* flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to The Garden House Hospice, Letchworth, Herts.

GIBSON - On August 2nd 1994, peacefully at The Royal Marsden Hospital, after a long illness borne with great courage; an inspiration to so many, Margaret Templeton Gibson aged 56 years, beloved daughter of Betty and the late David. Funeral Service at St Peter's College Chapel, New Inn Hall Street, Oxford, on Saturday August 13th at 3 pm followed by private cremation. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired for Royal Marsden Cancer Fund, 203 Fulham Road, London SW3 6JJ.

HUNTER - On August 1st 1994, peacefully at home with her family, after much illness borne with typical courage, Joan Gertrude Louise Hunter, widow of Group Captain Eric Hunter. Beloved mother of the late Paul and of Jane and Anne, dearly loved mother-in-law of George and Nell and devoted grandmother of Victoria, George and Eleanor. Service of Thanksgiving at St Mary's, Oxted, at 3 pm on Monday August 8th, to be followed by a burial at the Doune Cemetery, Girvan, Ayrshire, on Thursday August 11th. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council or the RAF Benevolent Fund.

DEATHS

LAMAISON - On 30th July, Gavin, died peacefully at home with his family. Beloved husband of Patricia and dearly loved father and grandfather. He will be greatly missed by us all. Service at Garston Crematorium on Thursday 11th August at 12 noon. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to Cancer Research c/o Leverton & Sons Ltd., 212 Evershott Street, London NW1 1BD. (071) 387-6075.

LAWRENCE - On 3rd August 1994 at home in Sandford Orcas, Peter Reginald DSC RN (retired) aged 71. Husband of the late Patricia, dearly loved father of Rosanne and David and dear grandpa of Charlotte, Penelope and Josephine. Funeral Service at Yeovil Crematorium on Wednesday August 10th at 11.30 am. Memorial Service at Ugley to be announced shortly. By request family flowers only, but donations if desired to Cancer Research. Enquiries to Eason Funeral Services, Newell, Sherborne, Dorset DT9 4EZ.

MARLOW - On 3rd August 1994 in Cape Town, Group Captain Hugh Whittall Marlow O.B.E., A.F.C. (R.A.F. Ret'd) aged 87. Very dearly loved husband of Midge and the late Jean, father of Nicola and Ginny, stepfather of Mallory and Beverly and grandfather of Andrew, Sarah, Alexander, David and Rupert.

MOYA - Hildalgo, suddenly in hospital on 3rd August, darling husband of Jean, loving father to Sue, Tim and Jo, grandpa to Alex, James, Tom, Alice and Emma and dear friend of Simon, Lucy and Christie. Family funeral. A memorial celebration of his life will be announced later. Enquiries to Ellis Bros., tel: (07977 222314.

DEATHS

PRESTON - On August 2nd 1994, Leslie Preston D.Litt. FRIBA, A.A.Dip. Unexpectedly at the home of his daughter Jill Cripps Villiers after an active and happy day. Beloved husband of the late Rita and devoted father, grandfather and great-grandfather and dear friend to so many. Funeral Service at Guildford Crematorium at 12 noon on Wednesday August 10th. *Family flowers only please* or donations if wished to any of his many interests, A.B.S., The National Trust, RNIB, may be sent to Sherlock & Sons, Trellis House, Dorking.

ROFFEY - Ivy Constance, beloved wife of the late Ernest and twin sister of Queenie Read, died peacefully, aged 94, at St Peter's Nursing Home in Croydon on August 3rd. Service to be held at Croydon Crematorium on Friday August 12th at 11.30 am. Floral tributes to Rowland Brothers, 501 Whitehorse Road, West Croydon (081) 684-1667.

SHARPE - On 2nd August 1994 peacefully at Bexhill-on-Sea at the age of 95, Sir Reginald T Sharpe Q.C., formerly Judge of the High Court, Rangoon. Funeral at Warbling Parish Church, nr. Hailsham, East Sussex, on Thursday 11th August at noon. No flowers please, donations if desired to Warbling Parish Church c/o Thomas Rich Ltd., 46 South Road, Hailsham, East Sussex, tel: (0323) 840049.

THOMAS - On Sunday 31st *July 1994, after a long illness* at Catanda, Sicily, Caitlin, widow of Dylan Thomas. Funeral Service at Laugharne Parish Church, Laugharne, Dyfed, at 2.30pm Wednesday 10th August 1994.

TRAUN - On July 31st tragically in Austria, Count Ernst Ferdinand von Abensperg und Traun aged 59, beloved husband of Felicia (née Guepin) and *devoted father* and grandfather. Funeral Saturday August 6th, at Schloss Mallnaza at 1600. No flowers, donations to the Malteser Hospital, Dinst, Austria.

DEATHS

WELHOT - On 4th August, suddenly after a stroke, Margot. Beloved wife of Gordon and greatly loved mother of Virginia, Felicity and Patrick. Private cremation. Donations in her memory to P.C.C. St Mary's, Shipton-under-Wychwood, Oxon.

YEARDYE - Kate Agnes (née McGoldrick). On 29th July, after a short illness, at her home in Woodside, California. Dearly beloved mother of Thomas, June and Cathy. Memorial Service at Woodside in October.

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AIR COMMODORE 'TOMMY' THOMPSON

Air Commodore J. M. ("Tommy") Thompson, CBE, DSO, DFC and Bar, AFC, Battle of Britain pilot and later AOC Military Air Traffic Operations, died in Brighton on July 23 aged 79. He was born on August 16, 1914.



EVEN before the Battle of Britain began, "Tommy" Thompson was already a wise and highly experienced combat pilot. When the Blitzkrieg burst in the West on May 10, 1940, No 111 squadron, which he commanded, was flung into the air battle from the outset. Thompson was thus deeply involved in the desperate engagements which raged high over the struggle on the ground, as the fighters of the Armée de l'Air and the RAF strove to stem the Luftwaffe's onslaught.

By the time the Battle of Britain opened in July, he had three kills and as many probables to his credit. Throughout the air battle, No 111 was again in the thick of the fighting, engaged without respite until the crisis had passed.

Thompson's was a career replete with highly varied active service. He took part in the air defence of Malta and played an important role in the organisation of the Berlin airlift. In a number of senior postwar appointments he rendered signal service to the RAF in the spheres of air defence and air traffic control.

John Marlow Thompson was born at Saltford, Somerset. His father, a Bristol builder, died when he was 12 and he was brought up by his mother. He was educated at Bristol Grammar School where he was good at sport, particularly rugby for which he represented the RAF from 1935 to 1938. He had joined it on a short service commission in 1934.

Until 1939 he had varied experience, including floatplanes and a parachute course. But his natural bent made him a fighter man and at the outbreak of war he was a flight commander with No 151 (Hurricane) Squadron. By the time No 151 was sent to France in May 1940 in an attempt to stem the German air offensive, Thompson had already been given command of No 111, also a Hurricane squadron. Though, too, committed to the battle this squadron was, mercifully, based in England and did not have to experience the dreadful relocation problems experienced by France-based squadrons as their forward airfields were overrun.

Under Thompson's command the feats of No 111 in this battle against heavy odds were quite spectacular. This had much to do with his own philosophy of taking the enemy head-on. Sometimes a whole flight would attack in line abreast, guns blazing. This was done with the sort of bravura associated with a prewar Hendon Air Display. One of its pilots, Flying Officer H. M. Ferris, shot down eight German aircraft in three sorties, a feat which can seldom have been equalled. Thompson's own bag during this frenetic period, as the British Expeditionary Force retreated to Dunkirk and needed all the air support it could get, included an He 111 bomber and an Me 110 fighter.

Late in May he was shot down by an Me 110 over Valenciennes. This was a bit of bad luck, given the generally dismal combat performance of that particular German escort fighter, but by this time the daily battle against such colossal odds was taking its toll on the British airmen. In the event, Thompson managed to avoid capture by the advancing Wehrmacht and got back to England. Very soon he was in action again and had several more kills in the air fighting which took place in the immediate aftermath of Dunkirk.

There was now a brief respite for Thompson and No 111 before the Battle of Britain was joined in earnest. Based at Croydon, 111 was at the very heart of the aerial maelstrom which followed. Thompson's own flying exploits might have been made legendary except that he was such an austere, reticent man (qualities he also displayed as a commander) that he had no taste for being interviewed for the sort of books of derring-do which proliferated after the war. He felt the loss of so many comrades too keenly. This was a pity, since his name is absent from many publications in which it should feature largely.

A typical example of his combat and flying skills, happily well documented, was his low level pursuit of an Me 110, so low in fact that the bursts from his machine guns actually blasted tiles off the roof of a Sussex farmhouse. He registered another four certain kills, plus a host of "probables". At length, in September 1940, No 111 was sent north for a well-earned rest. By this time the job had been done and the Germans had received their first check of the Second World War.

After commanding No 350 Belgian Squadron, the first all-Belgian squadron to be formed from flyers who had escaped from the Germans, Thompson was sent to another theatre which was to be the scene of desperate air fighting — Malta. There, leading a Spitfire wing, he won a Bar to his Battle of Britain DFC.

He spent much of the rest of his war in the Mediterranean theatre and then went to serve with the RAF in occupied Germany, based at Bückeberg in Lower Saxony. A stern test was soon to face him. In June 1948 the Russians blockaded Berlin, cutting off the city's land and water access routes.

For almost a year two million people had to be supplied by air. As Wing Commander Ops during this period, Thompson played an important role in ensuring that an aircraft carrying vital coal, food and other necessities, landed at RAF Gatow in the British sector of the city every two minutes.

In the late 1940s Thompson learnt how to fly jets and had senior staff appointments in the new jet-propelled Royal Air Force. From 1958 to 1960 he was Director of Air Defence at the Air Ministry and after a spell at the Imperial Defence College became Air Officer Commanding Military Air Traffic Operations in 1962. In that post he introduced a joint civil/military radar service for the upper air space and in general oversaw a radical extension of radar services to make all aspects of aircraft movement much safer.

Thompson retired from the RAF in 1966. By this time he was recognised as an expert in defence systems and he was almost immediately appointed to manage Saudi Arabia's air defences. These involved search radars for the operation of the Lightning fighters which Britain had supplied to the Saudis, as well as air defence missiles and communications. Thompson held this appointment for two years before returning home in 1968.

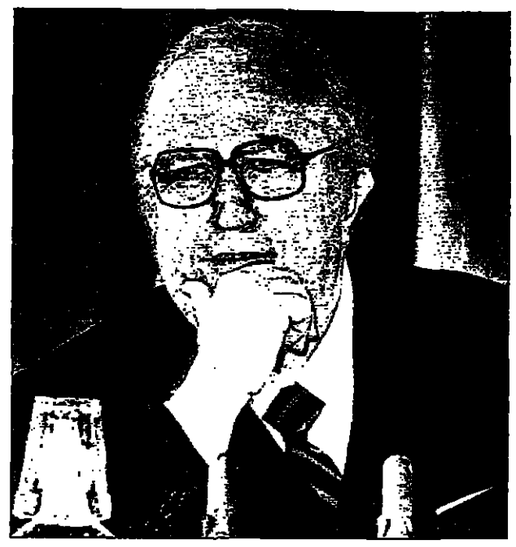
In retirement he was, for five years, secretary of the Moor Park Golf Club, before taking over the secretaryship of Monte Carlo Golf Club in 1973 from the film actor Anthony Bushell. He spent a happy ten years in Monte Carlo, where he was friendly with Prince Rainier and Princess Grace. He finally retired to Brighton where he died after a long battle with cancer.

Besides his DFC and Bar, Thompson was awarded the DSO in 1943 for his leadership in Malta, and was given the AFC in 1952. He was appointed CBE in 1954.

His is survived by his wife Sylvia whom he married in 1938 and by a son and a daughter. Another son was killed in a car crash.

GIOVANNI SPADOLINI

Giovanni Spadolini, former Italian Prime Minister, died of respiratory failure in Rome yesterday aged 69. He was born in Florence on June 21, 1925.



GIOVANNI SPADOLINI made history in July 1981 when he became Italy's first non-Christian Democrat Prime Minister for 35 years. A rotund and genial figure, he won respect in the West for his loyalty to the Western alliance and, in particular, for his firm stand against terrorism during the Red Brigades' era and during the hijacking of the *Achille Lauro* liner by Palestinian terrorists. At home he rode the storm of resentment over corruption that assailed the parliamentary system and went on to become one of the country's most respected elder statesmen. He had served as senate speaker and in April lost by only one vote when the current parliament elected Carlo Scognamiglio, a member of Forza Italia, the party of the Prime Minister, Silvio Berlusconi.

Spadolini's Republican Party had won only 3 per cent of the vote in the 1978 national elections but it was oriented to the middle class and found itself in a pivotal position in the Italian parliament at the height of a scandal over the influence of the secret P2 Masonic group. Spadolini's reputation for integrity reassured the Christian Democrat faithful, however. His first five-party coalition government lasted only 14 months but he managed to form it again and stay in office for another three months. His achievement was such that his party boosted its vote from 3 per cent to 5 per cent in the 1983 elections.

Giovanni Spadolini obtained a law degree at the University of Florence and stayed on to become a lecturer and later Professor of Contemporary History. During 22 years as an academic he wrote 15 books of history, his special field being the Risorgimento period and the years leading up to Fascism. He began a parallel career in journalism, writing for *Il Messaggero* until 1950 when he became political editor of *Gazetta del Popolo* and two years later political editor of *Corriere della Sera*. In 1950 he was appointed editor of the Bologna newspaper *Il Resto del Carlino*, remaining in that post for 13 years until 1968 when he took over the editorship of *Corriere della Sera* in Milan.

He did not begin his active political career until the 1970s, when he relinquished the editor's chair to represent the Republican Party from a Milan constituency and entered the Italian senate in 1972. He served as Minister of the Environment, 1974-76, in the coalition government led by Aldo Moro and Ugor La Malfa, the Republican Party leader. Then in 1979 he was Education Minister in Giulio Andreotti's government. In that same year he succeeded to the secretaryship of the Republican Party after the death of his predecessor.

Having arrived in the prime ministerial chair as a result of the backwash of the P2 Freemasons scandal he promptly had parliament outlaw the movement as being potentially subversive.

During his two successive premierships he was widely credited with turning the tide in Italy's fight against terrorism. He was highly praised when Italian police stormed the Red Brigades' hideout and freed an American general, James Dozier, who had been held hostage by terrorists for six months. It was the Italian authorities' first significant breakthrough against the terrorism that had plagued the country for more than a decade. While Spadolini was Prime Minister, Yassir Arafat, the PLO leader, visited Rome but Spadolini pointedly declined to meet him. He also instigated the government-Church negotiations that led to a substantial revision of the concordat forged by Mussolini with the Vatican in 1929.

After losing power, the Republican Party's increased popularity in the 1983 elections persuaded the incoming Prime Minister, Bettino Craxi, to make Spadolini Defence Minister. In this post his firm stand on terrorism came to the fore again during the *Achille Lauro* crisis when the luxury liner was hijacked by Palestinian gunmen and an American passenger killed. In this instance his tough stance was countered by Sgr Craxi and when the government later allowed a Palestinian wanted by the Americans to leave the country, Spadolini withdrew his party from the coalition, bringing it down.

A quick speaker with a massive physical presence, Spadolini had an authoritative style and would not have looked out of place wearing the robes of a Renaissance cardinal. He thoroughly enjoyed his pleasures and was a boon to political cartoonists. One showed him reading what should have been a list of members of his new government but was in fact a huge menu of dishes from his native Tuscany. He never married.

PROFESSOR DAVID REGAN

David Regan, Professor of Local Government at Nottingham University, 1978-94, died of carbon monoxide poisoning on July 24 aged 55. He was born on July 9, 1939.

FROM every angle David Regan's career as a successful academic and public figure seemed to be a satisfying one. There was, therefore, shock and a sense of loss among his friends in the University of Nottingham and elsewhere at the news of his sudden and tragic death.

As a student, David Regan gained a first-class degree in politics at the London School of Economics. This was followed by a spell in New Zealand and postgraduate study at the LSE leading to a PhD. He was then appointed to the teaching staff in the Government Department of LSE and rose to become a senior lecturer. In 1978 he was chosen to fill the Francis Hill Chair of Local Government in the Department of Politics at the University of Nottingham. He had just published a much praised study, *Local Government and Education*, and the future seemed set fair.

He threw himself into the life of the university and became deeply attached to it. His main energies were devoted to teaching and administration. But over the years he became increasingly involved with a large number of causes, notably those seeking to reform education, combat the political left in local government and speed democratisation in Eastern Europe.

He was always busy and his energy never seemed to flag. No troubled student or colleague was ever turned away. His kindness and loyalty impressed all who came into contact with him. Colleagues could not remember him ever missing a day from work through illness. A few years ago he trudged through heavy snow with a broken ankle to meet a 9am Monday class.

He produced articles and discussion papers and planned schemes for research. But invariably these latter crumbled before entreaties from students, phone calls, appointments with colleagues and meetings of quangos and university committees. They all ate into that precious time for research. In the harsher academic climate of the 1990s he may have come to regret this. But every university needs faculty members as devoted to students as David Regan was.

His talents as a teacher were joined to a gift for administration and a strong practical bent. He was the main instigator in founding and raising the money for the City Technology College in Nottingham, established in 1989. He subsequently became a trustee and governor of the college. He was also an energetic member of the Schools Examination and Assessment Council and the National Curriculum Council. Politically, he was a Thatcherite and from the early 1980s was a dedicated member or supporter of various think-tanks and pressure groups, such as Peace Through Nato, the Freedom Association, the Centre for Policy Studies and the Bruges Group (his most recent publication was a co-authored pamphlet "Is National Sovereignty a Big Bad Wolf?").



In the past three years he strongly supported the democratic groups in Latvia and Lithuania and regularly visited these countries. His support for their causes made him something of a hero to Eastern Europeans in the East Midlands.

He became head of the Politics Department in 1991 and had just been appointed to a further three-year term at the time of his death. This was a difficult period for the department, given the growth of student numbers, the high turnover in lecturing staff and the pressing demands which now fall on all university departments. He never complained and was encouraged by the quality of students and the promise of his younger colleagues. He was particularly encouraging to the latter. It was extraordinary that he managed to keep up his full involvement in so many causes outside the university.

There was some irony in his growing disenchantment with his own university and higher education in general. He was on good terms with a succession of Tory education ministers and their advisers, and his counsel was often sought. Increasingly, he was helping to shape public policy. Many of the recent changes, notably the increase in student choice, efficiency savings (a euphemism for cuts), accountability, bureaucracy and pressure to publish, had been promoted by his political allies in the Government and think-tanks. In practice, however, he detected a lowering of academic standards, a diminution in the attention lecturers gave to students and an increase in powers of university managers. He felt that civility and consideration were becoming casualties of a harsher regime.

David Regan was a committed Christian but left the Church of England because of his disagreement with the ordination of women. In spite of his affability and his public activities, he was intensely private. His strong sense of morality and principle inspired him to fight causes on behalf of individuals and oppressed nations. He was not bothered by fashionable opinion. But he felt injustice keenly and this made him vulnerable to disappointment.

He was an earnest man and to the end would not compromise his principles. His relations could be tense with those who did not share his view of the world. For all his involvement with the world of affairs, he could be strangely unworldly. The least materialistic of men he rarely took a holiday and his home had no television.

He had a wide range of interests, including music, art, the countryside and ornithology. He was devoted to his wife Dorothy, who survives him together with their three daughters.

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The Department of the Environment is looking for organisations to manage new Safer Cities projects which will be set up later this year.

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Organisations interested in tendering should register their interest and provide the information set out in the notice placed in the Official Journal of European Communities (OJEC), dated 2 August 1994 (Journal edition 146 page 101) by writing to:

Daniel Macnamara
ARPD Safer Cities Section
Department of the Environment P2/126
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For further information please contact Joan Bonelle on 071 276 4504 or Daniel Macnamara on 071 276 4505.

ON THIS DAY
August 5 1939

The writing on the wall was clear, but until the very last moment the world found it almost impossible to believe in the reality of another world war.

PREPAREDNESS IN GERMANY

1,700,000 MEN UNDER ARMS

According to all indications Germany is now rapidly reaching her maximum of military preparedness. It is conservatively estimated that the Reich at this moment maintains 1,700,000 men under arms, and this number is expected to increase to 2,000,000 or perhaps even more by the end of the month. According to official published figures the German standing army comprises 39 divisions, five light divisions, four tank divisions, three mounted divisions, and one cavalry brigade, which are distributed between five Army Group Commands. This gives a total of, roughly, 850,000 men. In addition, however, about 400,000 men of the classes of 1906, 1907, 1910, 1911 and 1913 were called up for three months' training last April, and have not, as far as is known, been released, while a further 400,000 of the same classes came up for service in June and are still with the colours. Well qualified observers believe that the Reich is now approaching the peak of its defensive preparations, which will be reached towards the end of this month. In the meanwhile manoeuvres on a large scale are about to open. Extensive manoeuvres of motorized formations designed to test the mobility of the German forces under war-time conditions will open, under the command of General Blaskowitz, probably early next week, in the area west of the Elbe. At the same time a combined exercise for infantry, engineers and artillery will be held in the neighbourhood of Riesa, east of Leipzig, while the V Army Corps, with headquarters at Stuttgart, are also engaged in manoeuvres. Nothing is known at present of unusual naval preparations, but the three-day air exercise in north-western Germany which ended yesterday indicates that the Air Force, which needs less preparation than the other fighting services, is in a state of readiness for any eventuality. During the last few days a pronounced scarcity of petrol has been noticeable in German towns. Petrol stations have not served more than a gallon and a quarter to casual purchasers and 2¼ gallons to regular customers, while on the *Reichsautobahnen* many filling stations have been empty. While these symptoms may indicate no more than the effect of manoeuvres on an unusually large scale upon an already strained economy, foreigners here are watching the military situation closely and with some uneasiness.

NEWS

Rail supervisors reject strike call

■ Leaders of the RMT rail union suffered a severe setback when signalling supervisors rejected strike action by a 3-2 margin. The outcome of the RMT's postal ballot delighted government ministers and managers of British Rail and Railtrack, who had said that the industry faced destruction if strikes were extended.

The supervisors' refusal to join the signalmen's action means that British Rail can run about a third of its normal services during strikes on August 12, 15 and 16 ..... **Page 1**

Spanish fishermen denounced

■ Britain and Spain were at loggerheads over fishing in the Bay of Biscay after Michael Jack, the fisheries minister, denounced Spanish boats' "dangerous and outrageous" attacks on Cornish vessels ..... **Page 1**

Labour's record

Labour under Tony Blair has stretched its lead over the Conservatives to a record 33.5 points in a Gallup survey that gives it support of 56.5 per cent, compared with 23 per cent for the Tories and 14.5 per cent for the Liberal Democrats ..... **Page 1**

Killer let out

A political dispute broke out after it emerged that a teenager convicted of manslaughter is let out of youth custody each day to play football for Arsenal..... **Page 1**

Millions wasted

Whitehall squandered £65 million last year buying analysis and advice from consultants, a Cabinet Office report says ..... **Page 2**

Cattle prices slump

Farmers at Europe's biggest stockyard in Oxfordshire count the cost of new controls against "mad cow" disease..... **Page 5**

Danger ships

The Government named 17 "ships of shame" in the first of a monthly list that will call to account the operators of vessels that could endanger lives or pollute Britain's coastline..... **Page 6**

Surgical aid

Medical researchers in London, Cambridge and Glasgow are developing a warning device to alert doctors if patients start to wake during surgery. It could be in use in three years ..... **Page 7**

Spending curbed

Families reacted to long-term worries over jobs by saving rather than spending despite a rise in average income last year, according to a government survey published today ..... **Page 8**

Fields of battle

The fifth day of the *Times* guide to battlefields of Britain revisits the sites of conflict at Newbury, Edgehill and Naseby..... **Page 9**

Relieved smiles

Weary Rwandan refugees lining the road smiled and waved. The British soldiers waved back. "I think they are pleased to see us," Captain Ian Johnson said, his face beaming..... **Page 10**

Triple execution

Three Arkansas murderers who killed as a team died by lethal injection one after another in America's first triple execution for 32 years..... **Page 11**

Karadzic deserted

Russian pressure has proved crucial in forcing President Milosevic of Serbia to desert his former protégé, Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, and leave him isolated..... **Page 12**

Legal challenge

The bedlam in Dhaka metropolitan magistrates' court demonstrated how long it might take the prosecution to try to prove that the writer Taslima Nasreen insulted Islam..... **Page 13**

Refs eye sponsorship deal

■ Rugby referees, perhaps responding to cries of "get a pair of specs, ref" from the touchline, have signed a sponsorship deal with an optician. In exchange for jerseys, Kevin Thompson, who sells spectacles in Alnwick, Northumberland, will see his firm publicised by 50 referees every time they officiate at rugby union matches in the county next season..... **Page 6**

JOHN COGILL



The Laytown races in Ireland, where three horses died and three jockeys broke bones at Europe's only beach meeting **Page 3**

BUSINESS

Lloyd's: The Lloyd's of London insurance market is to crack down on the thousands of names who can pay their losses but will not. Solicitors and a bad debt specialist have been hired..... **Page 21**

Building societies: The Halifax, the largest building society, become the top performing society in an annual league table compiled by UBS, the stockbroker, displacing Cheltenham & Gloucester, last year's winner..... **Page 21**

Markets: The FT-SE 100 Index fell 9.9 points to close at 3150.5. Sterling's trade-weighted index remained unchanged..... **Page 24**

SPORT

Cricket: The nervous nineties afflicted Michael Atherton, the England captain and opening bat, who lost his wicket at 99 after batting nearly all day on the first day of the second Test against South Africa at Headingley..... **Page 40**

Equestrianism: Britain had a dismal day at the world show jumping championships in The Hague, finishing sixth after starting the day in fourth position ..... **Page 35**

Golf: Severiano Ballesteros expressed his displeasure after falling foul of a zealous official with a stopwatch at the BMW International in Munich ..... **Page 36**

FEATURES

Net result: Peter Barnard finds that fairness and fishing are distant cousins when the British and the Spanish go to war..... **Page 14**

Church ruling: Why I had to sack the parish priest who doesn't believe in God, by the Bishop of Chichester..... **Page 14**

Life of troubles: Gerry's blood was the first to be spilt — it was never going to be the last. Valerie Grove meets Lord Fitt..... **Page 15**

INFOTECH

Two pages of news and job opportunities..... **Pages 33, 34**

ARTS

Dream ticket: The Royal Shakespeare Company's new production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* is beautifully acted despite its ugly surreal settings, Benedict Nightingale writes ..... **Page 30**

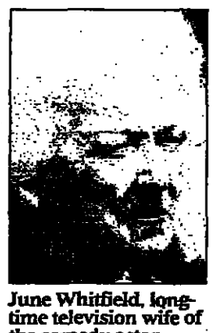
Massed guitars: What could be the noisiest event of the year is being prepared at the South Bank: 101 amateur electric guitarists will play together (or almost) on Monday night..... **Page 31**

Repeat performance: The antics of the rock group Oasis are only the latest in a tradition of hell-raising bands stretching back to the Who and the Stones..... **Page 32**

PEOPLE IN THE TIMES



Sam Carr, 8, whose father paid £14,527.50 for a copy of Action Comics No 1, dated June 1938, which features Superman's first appearance **Page 8**



June Whitfield, long-time television wife of the comedy actor Terry Scott, after his funeral service at a parish church in Godalming, Surrey **Page 18**



James Silk, 9, who has won his campaign to save a hedgerow after pitting his school project against the reasoning of an Oxford college **Page 3**

THE TIMES TOMORROW

Weighing the price of fame

■ A poem by Richard Burton, "Portrait of a Drowning Man", will be published for the first time in *Weekend* and analysed by Melvyn Bragg

Bel-Eire in Emerald Isle

■ Irish estate agents have stars in their eyes because of a boom in buying by film and pop celebrities. Rachel Kelly reports in *Weekend*

Have we got views for you

From *Woodstock* on video to Baroque music on CD, *Times* critics review the latest home entertainment. Plus Benedict Nightingale on the new Arthur Miller

Suzanne Bonnar is a singer with a mission. *The Blacksburg Connection* (BBC2, 7.15pm)..... **Page 39**

Resume service

Mr Horton has much work to do to restore public confidence. He must make clear that he is determined to end the strike — by negotiation if possible, but by other means if not..... **Page 17**

Sharks in the water

Governments must stop subsidising boats to stay in business, switching funds to restructuring the industry and compensating laid-off fishermen..... **Page 17**

Soiled linen

Persil may wash whiter, but that is the only clean thing in the current soap wars..... **Page 17**

BERNARD LEVIN

Norwich Union, Premium Life, Aegon, Independent Order of Foresters, Legal & General, Interlife, Cornhill, LAS, Crown Life, Colonial Mutual, Scottish Widows, Guardian, Canterbury Life, London & Manchester, Liberty Life, Prosperity Life, Laurentian Life, ManuLife, General Accident, Commercial Union Life, Cannon and NMFM ..... **Page 16**

ANTHONY HOWARD

"Come home to Labour" was the theme of a Roy Hattersley speech in the 1987 election campaign. It may play better now..... **Page 16**

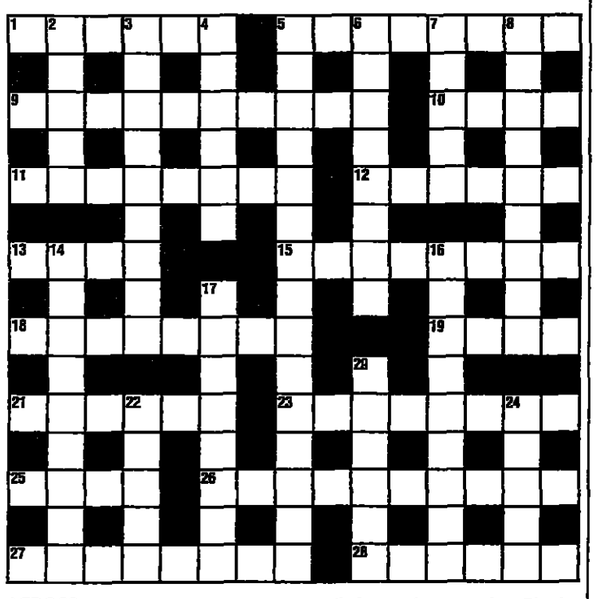
Air Commodore J.M. Thompson, Battle of Britain pilot; **Giovanni Spadolini**, former Italian Prime Minister; **David Regan**, Professor of Local Government..... **Page 19**

The minister of health disputes NHS "parsimony"..... **Page 17**

As thousands of prisoners are herded to their death [by capital punishment], the nation risks losing its aversion to killing and its sense of humanity — *USA Today*

Not all Poles liked the idea of inviting Germans and Russians to Warsaw. President Walesa did it anyway, as an act of reconciliation. That is what's known as moral leadership — *Washington Post*

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 19,613



ACROSS

1 Sudden outburst from Bill Church's son (6).
5 Take away pamplet written by journalist (8).
9 Plank a river creature used in the Deluge (10).
10 Chapter head in "Pride and Prejudice" (4).
11 Tall workman called for in the script (8).
12 Fellow taking degree in a medieval language (6).
13 Assist with President Truman's inauguration (4).
15 Clumsily patching clothing for the retired (8).
18 Empty boast by young female weightlifter (8).
19 King leaves vessel to practise engraving (4).
21 Short poem about a royal garment (6).
23 Game played by canons without hesitation (8).
25 Shakespearian actor given Pistol's backing? (4).
26 University literary hack in farewell entertainment (10).
27 Affected fellow born in France — a revolutionary (8).
28 Only when detailed, one gives comfort (6).

DOWN

2 Instrument placed on floor to get firm measurement internally (5).
3 A gentle do, preposterously drawn out (9).
4 Tunnel required for vehicle going up road (6).
5 In a man's domain it's conventional to refuse to budge (5,4,6).
6 Inferior horse that's outside railing? (8).
7 Recommendation for mercy for motor-cyclist perhaps (5).
8 Opportunity out east to keep a horse and coach (9).
14 She symbolises this island, as a rule (9).
16 Poorly rated philosopher's dreary routine (9).
17 Crapulence makes us suspend deliveries (8).
20 Posh garment worn in confinement (6).
22 Magazine for key workers? (5).
24 Most of an old widow's surviving belief (5).

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HIGHEST & LOWEST

Wednesday: Highest day temp: Heathrow and Northolt, west London, 31C (88F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, Highland, 12C (54F); highest rainfall: Morecambe, Lancashire, 0.96in; highest sunshine: Margate, Kent, 12.1hr

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☐ **General:** England and Wales will have a misty start to the day with thundery showers lingering near East Anglia. Any showers will quickly clear and the mist will lift, then it will be a dry day with sunny spells developing.

Scotland and Northern Ireland will have scattered showers at first, but these will mostly die out and it will become brighter with some sunny spells.

Winds will be light over the whole country.

☐ **London, SE England, Central S England, E Midlands, W Midlands:** misty start then dry with sunny spells. Wind light west. Max 25C (77F).

☐ **E Anglia, E England:** any thundery showers soon clearing, then sunny spells developing. Winds light west. Max 24C (75F).

☐ **Channel Isles, SW England, S Wales, N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Central N, NE England:** misty start then dry with sunny spells. Wind light west. Max 22C (72F).

☐ **Isle of Man, Borders, Edinburgh & Dundee, Aberdeen, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, N Ireland:** showers dying out, then mainly dry with bright or sunny spells. Wind light west. Max 20C (68F).

☐ **NE Scotland, Argyll, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland:** showers becoming isolated followed by bright spells. Wind light west. Max 17C (63F).

☐ **Outlook:** mainly fine settled weather. Most places will be dry and warm with bright or sunny spells.

AROUND BRITAIN

24 hrs to 6 pm: t=thunder; d=drizzle; ds=dust storm; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain; h=hail; du=dull; g=gale; sh=shower; b=bright; ds=dust storm

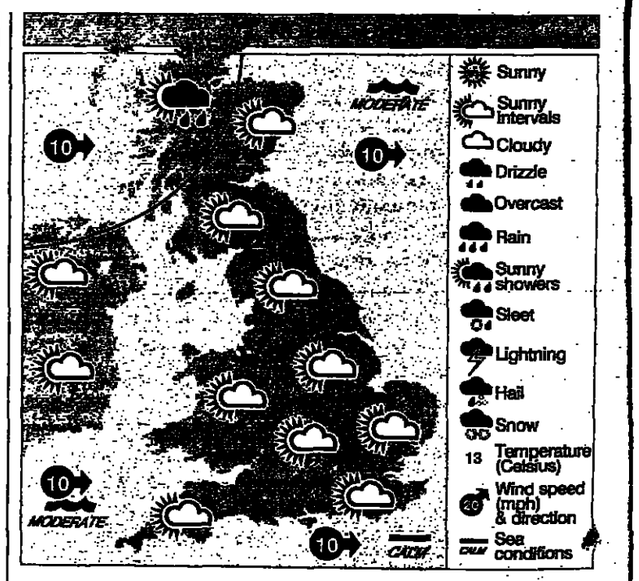
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Aviemore	0.5	0.14	19	66	sh	Lowestoft	11.6	0.02	24	75	s
Belfast	5.3	-	22	72	b	Manchester	2.3	0.17	25	77	s
Birmingham	1.0	0.07	26	79	sh	Margate	12.1	-	26	79	s
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Bristol	0.9	0.16	24	75	r	Newquay	1.2	0.13	21	70	c
Buxton	1.7	0.22	22	72	sh	Norwich	10.7	0.01	28	82	s
Cardiff	1.5	0.22	22	72	r	Nottingham	1.2	0.13	26	79	r
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Colwyn Bay	2.2	0.29	25	77	r	Plymouth	1.8	0.13	21	70	sh
Cromer	10.2	-	25	77	s	Poole	3.2	0.14	23	73	sh
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Eastbourne	9.8	-	24	75	s	Ryde	9.1	0.04	23	73	c
Edinburgh	X	X	21	70	c	Salcombe	1.6	0.19	22	72	s
Eskdalemuir	X					Sandown	7.5	0.02	23	73	sh
Exmouth	1.0	0.28	18	66	r	Saunton Snd	1.0	0.13	23	73	sh
Falmouth	X	0.06	19	66	sh	Scarboro'	4.9	-	25	77	sh
Fishguard	2.4	0.21	21	70	sh	Scilly Isles	-	0.52	19	66	s
Folkestone	12.0	-	27	81	s	Shanklin	8.9	0.04	22	72	r
Glasgow	X	X	22	72	c	Shrewsbury	1.0	0.22	25	77	r
Guernsey	6.0	0.01	25	77	r	Skegness	8.8	0.07	23	73	s
Hastings	10.0	-	26	79	s	Southport	2.4	0.28	25	77	sh
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Herne Bay	10.8	-	28	82	s	Stornoway	1.5	-	14	57	c
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Ilfracombe	X					Tenby	0.1	0.43	19	66	r
Isle of Man	0.7	0.28	18	64	r	Tiree	0.2	0.06	17	63	r
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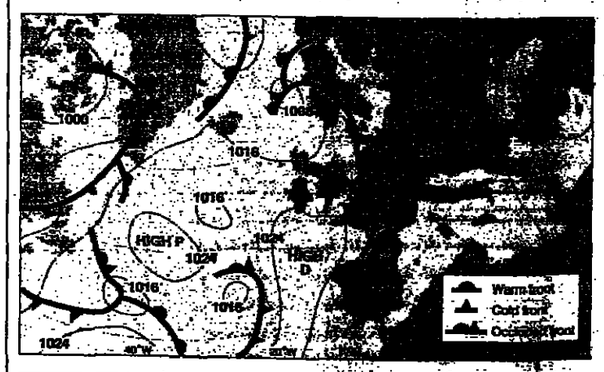
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Alicatnt	30	86	s	Corfu	35	95	s	Majorca	32	90	c
Alex'dria	29	84	s	Dublin	20	68	c	Malaga	28	82	s
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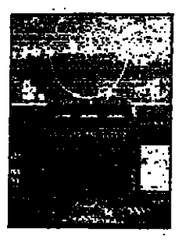
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Lloyd's takes on NatWest debt chaser

By Sarah Bagnall
Insurance Correspondent

■ Lloyd's names are divided over the appointment of a leading bad debt specialist to implement a get-tough policy to recover millions of pounds in unpaid losses

LLOYD'S of London, the troubled insurance market, is to crack down on the thousands of names who can pay their losses but will not, in a bid to recover millions of pounds in unpaid debts.

The new hardline policy immediately drove a wedge between an already divided membership, with some names attacking the move as "appalling" while others welcomed it, saying it was long overdue.

Bernard Bradford, formerly responsible for reducing National Westminster Bank's bad debts, and a firm of solicitors have been hired to form a strategy that Lloyd's hopes to implement next month.

The decision by Lloyd's to bring in outside help follows losses of more than £8 billion over four years. Last year, names failed to pay millions of pounds to meet their losses and the insurance market's central fund had to set aside more than £400 million to meet these unpaid debts. Since then, names have been hit by further losses of £2 billion and face demands to pay up to £1.7 billion of that by the end of July. The deadline has now passed and Lloyd's is believed to be facing an unprecedented number of names who are either unable or unwilling to pay their losses.

David Rowland, chairman of Lloyd's, said: "Nothing will change in terms of our general outlook. We want to be fair and sympathetic to those who are willing to pay but can't, but we will be firm and determined to those who have demonstrated an unwillingness to pay when they can."

Several names welcomed the decision, believing it unjust for names who had honourably discharged their debts to then pay the costs of those names who had opted not to. However, Sally Noel, a name, said: "I think it is appalling. There should be a complete moratorium on all demands for money while litigation is going on. Normally, assets of both parties are frozen while a court case is pending."

Mr Bradford and Philip Holden, of Dibb Lupton Broomhead, the firm of solicitors, will work with Peter Middleton, chief executive of Lloyd's, over the next few weeks to form a debt collection strategy. Mr Middleton said action would be taken to ensure that names were not able to distance themselves from their assets in order to avoid meeting their obligations, a situation he said "there is anecdotal evidence of". Mr Bradford, 56, left NatWest in June after six years as head of corporate recovery. The bank had bad and doubtful debts of £1.3 billion in the year to December 31, down from a peak of £1.9 billion in 1991.

Mr Middleton said they did not know how many names would be subjected to the tougher stance or the amount of money involved. Mr Rowland reiterated that he was confident that Lloyd's would pass its annual solvency test later this year. The team is due to present its proposals to the ruling council of Lloyd's on September 14.

Mr Middleton also revealed that Lloyd's was investigating ways of closing syndicate years left open since 1985 and that on Wednesday the council had accepted proposals on new rules governing voting rights.

The change in the insurance market's voting structure, which follows the introduction of corporate capital, proved more complex than expected. This, according to Mark Sheldon, chairman of the voting rights working party, was because of the 1982 Lloyd's Act. He said: "The working party was seriously constrained by having to work within the framework of the Lloyd's Act 1982. It is clear that one of the objects behind the Act was to achieve a fundamental shift of power from the names to the then newly constituted council."

Mr Rowland said: "We would all like to see changes to the Act, but the constraints imposed on voting rights do not require us to have a new Act in the near future." In due course, however, he "would be delighted to see some changes to the Act".

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DAVID BRENCHLEY



Kevin Ross, managing director, outside the main shaft pit head at South Crofty

High Midnight arrives for Cornwall's last tin mine

By Colin Campbell, Mining Correspondent

WORKERS at South Crofty, Cornwall's last operating tin mine at Redruth, will be told at 9am today if they will ever again don hard hats and boots and go underground.

By midnight last night, South Crofty needed to raise £1 million to save itself and 260 miners' jobs. The miners have taken pay cuts and worked extra hours to help save a mine that has been in production for 88 years. But High Midnight has arrived.

If £1 million has been secured, then £31 million of loans from the Department of Trade and Industry and RTZ will be waived. Kevin Ross, South Crofty's managing director, made a worldwide appeal to raise £1.8 million via a share issue at 100p each.

By yesterday afternoon, South Crofty had raised £500,000. Because of legal restraints, it was obliged to refuse subscriptions from children's piggy banks. But there has been a big response from America, Australia and South Africa. Cornwall County Council put up £20,000.

South Crofty was once owned by RTZ, which sold it to management and employees in 1988. It has been thrown various financial lifelines, including from the DTI. But on February 22, 1991, loan finance was terminated.

The operations have been dogged by wavering tin prices which were £10,021 a tonne in February, 1985, but fell to £2,946 last September, had fallen to Yesterday, it was £3,280 a tonne.

History books first made mentioned of South Crofty in 1592. In 1896 it was allowed to flood. On many occasions since, death has been said to be imminent. If £1 million was not subscribed by midnight last night, death will have arrived.

Halifax leads society league

By Sara McConnell
Personal Finance Correspondent

THE Halifax, the largest building society, became the top performing society in the annual "Major Players" table compiled by UBS, the broker, displacing Cheltenham & Gloucester, last year's winner.

It is the first time the Halifax has topped the league table, which ranks societies according to a number of factors including capital strength, management costs, profitability and market share. In 1989, the Halifax languished in 15th place on these criteria. In 1990 it rose to tenth, and in 1991 to third. Last year it dropped back to fourth.

John Wriglesworth, author of the league table, said he was not surprised the Halifax had reached the top. "It is driving down costs, using its size to give economies of scale and is enhancing its brand name".

Mike Blackburn, chief executive of the Halifax, welcomed its success, but said: "We are by no means complacent. To stay number one in today's intensely competitive market will be a challenging task".

Cheltenham & Gloucester and Yorkshire, which have been consistently strong performers in the past five years, tied for second place.

Northern Rock came fourth. In last year's table it came first, but was displaced by the C&G after accounts were restated in line with new accounting regulations.

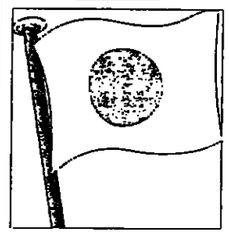
At the bottom of the table for the second year running was the Skipton, still dogged with bad debts, particularly on its commercial lending book. The Bristol & West came second from bottom, also for the second year running.

Mr Wriglesworth said: "Continuing high costs, relatively poor capital strength and persistent high levels of arrears have all conspired to slow this [Bristol and West] society down (despite improving trends being established in 1993)."

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Bidders schedule bigger QVC offer

From Sean Mac Carthaigh in New York

THE two biggest shareholders in QVC, the American shopping channel headed by Barry Diller, were last night expected to sweeten their bid to buy the network in order to stave off any plan by Mr Diller to launch a share buy-back.

Comcast made an offer of $44 a share in June to prevent QVC from merging with CBS, the most popular network in America; last month, Liberty Media, part of John Malone's Tele-Communications group, joined Comcast to strengthen the offer. The bid would be raised to $46 a share, increasing the likelihood that Comcast and Liberty will succeed in buying the 65 per cent of the company that they do not already own, insiders said. According to some reports, Mr Diller was on the verge of launching a buy-back of shares in order to foil the bid. Mr Diller has said repeatedly that QVC would accept the best available offer for shareholders — he has a personal stake of about 12 per cent.

Going in to the board meeting, Mr Diller said he expected a decision on the bid "in a few hours". Mr Diller has refused to say whether he would stay with QVC if the company is sold; he had been slated for the top job at CBS had the two companies merged. Industry experts have said Mr Diller is likely to leave QVC if he cannot control the company.

Zeneca hit by £100m restructuring charge

By Sarah Bagnall



Barnes: internal review

ZENECA Group, the agrochemicals and pharmaceuticals group, is axing 500 jobs worldwide as part of a £100 million restructuring programme. The job losses, of which just under half will be in Britain, will reduce the group's workforce to 30,200.

The restructuring charge, which surprised analysts, knocked pre-tax profits to £351 million in the half year to June 30, against last time's £362 million, which included an £18 million exceptional credit. The City had expected pre-tax profits, before exceptionals, of £420 million to £440 million.

The shares gained 24p to 795p, in spite of the exceptional charge and some disappointment over the rise in interim dividend, up from 10.5p to 10.75p, less than some analysts forecast.

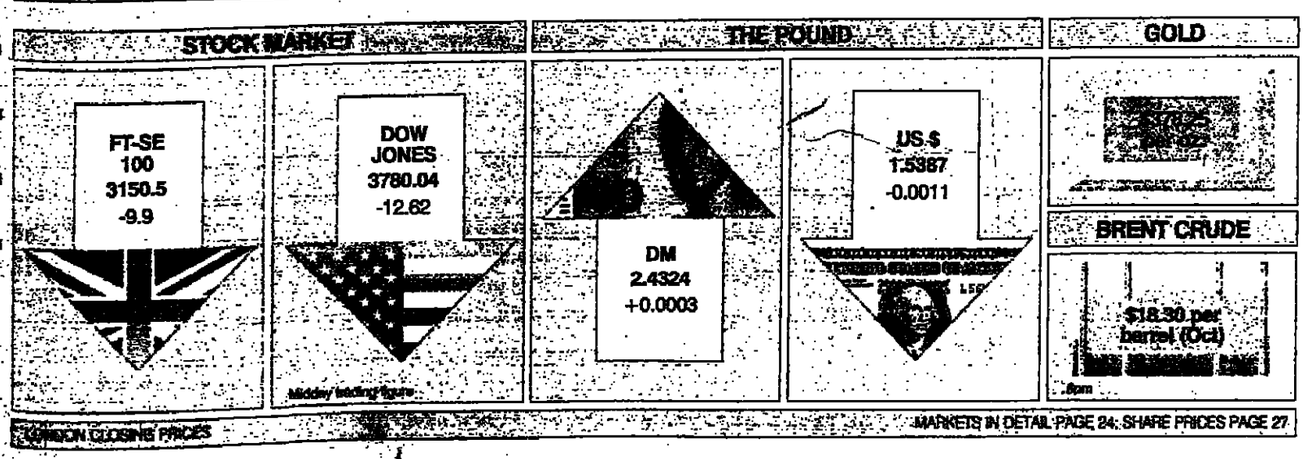
John Mayo, finance director, said: "We want to grow the dividend, but will do so when we have rebuilt our dividend cover to 2 times." Cover presently stands at about 1.8 times.

David Barnes, chief executive, said that the exceptional charge was the result of an internal review revealing opportunities for restructuring the agrochemicals and specialties businesses. "We have also decided to take a more restricted view of the size and scope of our seeds business," he said. As a result, Zeneca is withdrawing from Eastern Europe and reducing remaining operations.

The strongest growth of Zeneca's three divisions — pharmaceuticals, agrochemicals and specialties — was agrochemicals' rise from £84 million profit to £123 million. Pharmaceuticals' profit rose by £20 million, to £230 million, and specialties' by £1 million, to £39 million.

Pharmaceutical sales, up by 6 per cent to £976 million, helping to lift group sales by 3 per cent to £2.38 billion. Drug sales were particularly strong in the difficult European markets and Japan.

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Kohl buoyed by brighter economic outlook

BY COLIN NARBROUGH

CHANCELLOR Kohl's prospects for re-election when Germany goes to the polls in October have probably been enhanced by the picture of an increasingly vigorous economy depicted in the latest forecasts and figures.

The authoritative Ifo economic institute in Munich, one of the external advisers to the Bonn government, predicted that the whole German economy will expand by about 2 per cent this year and 3 per cent next, upping its previous respective forecasts of 1.5 and 2 per cent. German recovery is expected to stimulate growth across Europe, including Britain where manufacturing output figures for June should show a rise of about 0.2 per cent, giving a year-on-year rise of 4.6 per cent. Most importantly, Ifo concluded that the forces of growth have regained the upper hand in west Germany. Europe's economic powerhouse, with crucial increases in investment following the export-led recovery. It foresees the gross domestic product of west Germany growing 1.5 per cent this year and 2.5 per cent next. East Germany, still supported by huge inflows of capital from west Germany, is expected to expand at between 8 and 9 per cent this year and next, the institute said.

Although the institute issued a warning against expecting too much early improvement in the west German labour market, in spite of accelerating growth, the federal labour office in Nuremburg yesterday showed a fall in unemployment in west Germany, after seasonal adjustment, last month. The reduction was the second in as many months after 15 months of rising joblessness. The number of unemployed in west Germany dropped to 2.57 million last month, from 2.59 million in June.

Unadjusted figures showed a rise in the unemployment rate from 8 per cent to 8.3 per cent, reflecting the surge of young people leaving school and workers laid off at the end of the second quarter, the start of the summer holidays. The labour office said the jobs market had begun to "stabilise". Ifo forecast that west German unemployment would remain unchanged at an average 2.6 million, or 8.4 per cent of the workforce, this year and next.

In east Germany, it foresaw a fall in unemployment from 15.6 per cent this year to 15.1 per cent next, in spite of its concern about the mixed picture for unemployment in the new *länder*, where jobs are emerging at some firms, but continue to disappear in others.

A 2.2 per cent rise in west German industrial orders in June, after two months of stagnation, gave a year-on-year increase of 11.6 per cent, the economics ministry said. Orders from abroad, the initial motor of recovery from the worst recession since the Second World War, rose 3.6 per cent in June and capital goods orders were up 4.6 per cent. Consumer goods orders fell 1 per cent. After strong industrial output figures this week, the orders figures bode well for strengthening activity in the second half of the year.

Study shows London Tecs are worst in Britain

BY PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

TRAINING and Enterprise Councils in London — the business-led bodies that run industrial training in Britain — are the worst in the country, a new training study shows.

The report, which was backed by Opposition Party leaders but rejected by Tecs in the capital, is published before the Government later this month gives performance figures for all 82 Tecs in England and Wales for the first time.

National Tec leaders, who have faced considerable running criticism of the councils this year, believe that the Government's figures will show largely improved performance by the Tecs, though they accept privately that they have a case to make on behalf of the councils to Michael Portillo, the Employment Secretary.

Supporters and authors of yesterday's critical report, denied that their scathing criticisms of the performance of the capital's nine Tecs would provide Mr Portillo with ammunition to use against them.

Frank Dobson, Labour's spokesman on London, said: "If Michael Portillo believes in value for money he should welcome a report like this, which indicates how efficiently or inefficiently money is being spent." Simon Hughes, of the Liberal Democrats, said the report showed how bodies such as Tecs had little local accountability.

The study, by the independent Unemployment Unit for the London Boroughs Grants Committee, a statutory body which makes grants to voluntary organisations, said that Tecs in London were failing to meet the challenge of tackling unemployment.

Its principal charges were:

☐ London Tecs are the worst performers in the country, with barely a quarter of those leaving adult training schemes obtaining work, and only one in three gaining a qualification.

☐ Tecs in the City are sitting on a "cash mountain" of £17.6million, while training providers are facing cuts in their funding.

☐ They suffer from instability because of the high turnover of the private-sector business leaders on their boards, with more than a quarter resigning from London boards in the past year.

Mr Dobson said: "There has been growing concern and discontent all over the country and certainly in London about the performance of the Tecs, their relationship with the real world and their ability to deliver what people want them to deliver."

But the London Tecs said the report was unbalanced, contained a number of inaccuracies and was based on outdated information, and that Tecs in the capital had improved on what used to be provided by the Department of Employment.

David Hill, London regional Tec chairman, said the study's authors had not discussed their concerns with London Tec leaders — a point denied by the Unemployment Unit.

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Gary Carpenter, finance director, Barry Wells, UK managing director, and Peter Cohen, managing director, yesterday

Recovery may lift oil prices

BY CARL MORTISHED

ECONOMIC recovery in Europe and North America is increasing demand for oil and threatening further oil price inflation. The demand trend will continue into the first quarter of 1995, predicts the International Energy Agency, and analysts expect price rises unless Opec increases its output soon.

The IEA recorded a 2.1 per cent rise in demand from OECD countries in the second quarter of 1994 to 38.5 million barrels per day, 100,000 barrels up on the agency's forecast three months ago. Leo Drollas, chief economist at the Centre for Global Energy Studies, said if Opec did not respond to the resurgence in demand, the oil price could become destabilised.

Opec's next meeting is set for November, but growing expectations of a production increase suggest the cartel could meet in September. Demand for oil products is forecast to be 500,000 barrels higher in the first three months of 1995, due mainly to a projected rise in consumption from Europe of 400,000 barrels a day.

Small firms missing out on European aid, says survey

BY ROSS TIEMAN, INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

BRITAIN'S small firms want more information and advice on how to tap government schemes designed to help them develop new products and services, according to a survey by the British Chambers of Commerce.

More than half the 394 firms questioned knew nothing of the six schemes set up by the industry department, the European Union and other official bodies to help, the study found.

The most widely known forms of government assistance were Regional Innovation Grants. Yet only 6 per cent of respondents had successfully applied for them. Most firms that had applied for schemes found them excessively bureaucratic. They also complained that help is too focused on manufacturing.

Widespread ignorance or scepticism about schemes available in Britain went hand in hand with a belief, among two-thirds of firms, that overseas rivals receive more state help to succeed.

Although the Government's competitiveness White Paper proposes some measures to improve assistance, there were doubts about the likely benefits. Only 38 per cent of respondents to the survey, sponsored by Alex Lawrie Factors, the factoring company, backed plans to introduce innovation and technology counsellors at Business Links, as one stop shops are now known.

Only a small majority, 55 per cent, favoured an innovation credit system providing up to £1,000 of assistance to small firms. Many said £1,000 was far too small for their research needs.

Richard Brown, deputy director-general at the BCC, called for technical expertise, financial help and business advice to be brought together in a single package to help small firms develop.

British Coal must renew offer

BY ROSS TIEMAN, INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH Coal has been forced to renew its offer of a £6,000 lump sum in exchange for new flexible working terms by pit deputies after a judge ruled that the offer had been surrounded by "confusion".

Some 3,000 members of the pit deputies' union, Nacods, will now have until the end of August to decide whether to accept the deal.

The deputies' union, which had advised members against accepting before the original May 20 deadline, appealed to the National Reference Tribunal, complaining that members had been placed under duress to accept the deal while negotiations with the union were still under way.

The tribunal, headed by Judge Medd, rejected the union's plea for talks to begin afresh. However, the tribunal ruled that although British Coal had acted properly, it would be unfair to penalise members who had followed their union's advice.

The offer of new terms includes the extension of redundancy terms, with guaranteed payments of up to £27,000, for four years.

Miners who accept the new package will have their employment rights protected when British Coal's remaining mines are privatised later this year.

Holt LLoyd managers in buyout

BY SUSAN GILCHRIST

Management of Holt Lloyd, the speciality chemicals group, and [illegible] group, are to buy, with the backing of [illegible], the disposal of Holt Lloyd, its car care subsidiary, to management for £63.5 million.

The buyout team, backed by Electra, the development capital group, is paying an initial cash sum of £60 million followed by up to £3.5 million. It is also assuming £9.4 million of Holt Lloyd's intergroup debt. The sale should finally put paid to City fears that Morgan Crucible might be forced to launch a rights issue to reduce borrowings and strengthen its balance sheet. Dr Bruce Farmer, chief executive, said the proceeds of the deal would reduce gearing from 65 per cent to about 32 per cent.

Holt Lloyd, whose brands include Turtle Wax, Redex and Tyreweld, was acquired by Morgan Crucible as part of its takeover of Holt Lloyd International in 1987. While the group retained Holt Lloyd's industrial chemical operations, it always intended to dispose of the consumer car care business.

Pre-tax profits of Holt LLoyd almost doubled to £7.7 million in the year to January 4 and sales now stand at about £100 million, 60 per cent from Europe.

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Price of power to fall at South Western

ANOTHER price cut is on the way for customers of South Western Electricity. John Seed, chief executive, told shareholders at the annual meeting yesterday that the cut would be implemented in October. Details of the reduction, the second this year and in addition to a lump sum payout, will be announced next month. Mr Seed said prices have fallen by about 8 per cent in real terms since April 1992.

He added: "During 1993-94, we achieved a 99.97 per cent success rate against the nine customer services that we guarantee to fulfil. This means that the company only failed to meet its guarantees in three cases out of every 10,000 services provided." The company, based in Bristol, has also invested £65 million upgrading the electricity network and on other capital projects. South Western made a £116.8 million profit, up 15 per cent, in the year to March 31, while the total dividend of 23.5p compared with 20p from the previous year.

NatWest sells registrar

NATIONAL Westminster Bank is selling its share registration and new issues business to the Royal Bank of Scotland for an undisclosed sum. The acquisition of NatWest Registrars will boost Royal Bank of Scotland's market share from 7 per cent to 25 per cent. Only Lloyds Registrars is larger, with about 33 per cent. Royal Bank of Scotland is thought to be paying a substantial premium to the £3.89 million net book value of the business. The deal will safeguard the jobs of more than 500 National Westminster Bank staff.

Mining groups expand

MONARCH Resources, currently exploring for and mining gold in Venezuela, has signed an agreement entitling it to a 51 per cent interest in Solitario Resources' Gualilan gold properties in Argentina. In Venezuela, Monarch yesterday secured additional mineral rights in the El Dorado district, near its operating La Camorra mine. Redaurum, the diamond group based in Canada, and operator of the River Ranch diamond mine in Zimbabwe, yesterday agreed an option to acquire a 100 per cent interest in "a producing alluvial diamond mine in Southern Africa".

Rotork edges ahead

ROTORK, the engineering and instrumentation company, said its key businesses were performing well in highly competitive markets. In the six months to June 30, Rotork saw pre-tax profits edge ahead to £6.89 million from £6.2 million, producing earnings of 5p a share (4.5p). The interim dividend rises to 1.9p a share from 1.75p. The shares fell 2p to 164p. Turnover rose to £41.3 million from £[illegible] million and operating profits to £6.63 million from £[illegible] million. The company said the fortunes of Rotork [illegible], the main subsidiary, would dictate those of the [illegible].

German link for BTP

BTP, the British chemicals group, is buying AGS Industrieklebstoffe, the adhesives business of Scheidemandel, a subsidiary of Deutsche Celanese, for about DM30.6 million. BTP said AGS incurred a DM3.3 million loss before tax [illegible] million. Net assets [illegible] borrowings. An [illegible] million, with the balance [illegible] 1996. AGS will [illegible] Europe's largest adhesives market.

CRH buys in America

CRH, the Irish building materials group, has made four acquisitions in America, paying IrE44.3 million (£43.86 million) in cash. The most significant purchase is in Connecticut, where CRH has acquired Balf Company/Savin Brothers/Capital Pipe, a leading producer of aggregates and asphalt. In Massachusetts, CRH will buy P J Keating and Co., which operates two quarries and three asphalt plants. Annual sales for CRH's expanded US group will now exceed $300 million.

Crest's maiden payout

CREST Packaging, the packaging and folding carton manufacturer, said it is passing on increases in raw material prices to customers. The company, listed last October, reported pre-tax profits of £4.8 million to April 30, with earnings of 9.1p a share, compared with the previous year's £17.6 million, which reflected a £12.7 million windfall disposal of property. The maiden final dividend is 2.75p, the equivalent of two-thirds on an annual basis. The shares, placed at 135p, were unchanged at 105p yesterday.

Whinney cuts losses

WHINNEY McKay-Lewis, the architecture and planning group, returned to profit in the second half, helping the firm reduce its loss for the year to April 30 from £2.4 million to a deficit of £195,000. The sale last year of Asta House reduced borrowings, and net interest payable fell from £412,000 to £39,000. The company said turnover is increasing, with the current level of fee income based on construction costs of £80 million. Whinney is not restoring the dividend to conserve cash.



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Lufthansa lifts off over right[illegible]

By Gail [illegible]

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Law firm advise on bids worth £1.64bn

Slaughter and May lead the way

SLAUGHTER and May has again dominated the lawyers' league tables in *Acquisitions Monthly* for the January to June period after advising on five public takeover bids worth a total of £1.64 billion (Philip Pangalos writes).

The firm, which claimed top place in three of the four *Acquisitions Monthly* league tables, acted for LWT during its £766 million takeover by Granada Group and for Westland, the helicopter group, in its acquisition by GKN. Slaughter and May also topped the table of lawyers advising companies in UK public takeovers, with four deals worth £1.5 billion, and, in the table of legal advisers on UK private takeovers, finished well ahead of the pack.

Ashurst Morris Crisp were second in the league table of advisers working for financial advisers or companies, having been present on three deals with a combined value of £1.1 billion, including acting for MAI on its takeover of Anglia Television. The firm also worked closely with the banking world and its two deals totalling £780 million pushed it to the top of the table of advisers to financial advisers. Lovell White Durrant was third in the league table of advisers working for financial advisers or companies, with Clifford Chance fourth and Freshfields fifth.



Slaughter and May advised on the Westland takeover

Slaughter and May also came first in the table of advisers on UK private takeovers, with 24 mandates worth a total of £2.9 billion. Its high-profile deals included the £1.5 billion sale of Rover Group to BMW, and it would have had a greater lead had Lloyds Bank's £1.8 billion merger with Cheltenham & Gloucester been allowed to proceed.

Philip Healey, editor of *Acquisitions Monthly*, said: "The leading national law firms naturally continue to dominate but, even so, there is room for regional firms in our tables." Wragge & Co, of Birmingham, made its debut in the ranking of law firms acting for financial advisers or companies, boosted by its work on the £59 million acquisition of In Shops by Birkby, and Suter's £33 million takeover of James Wilkes.

"The views of lawyers active in the M & A [mergers and acquisitions] market is much the same as other players in the sector. They, too, are quietly confident that the amount of business seen in the first half-year will continue at much the same level during the next six months. Some of their clients are still rather cautious about short-term prospects but, in view of the traumatic effects of the recession, they would be foolhardy to be anything else," Mr Healey added.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 1981 ("THE ACT") AND IN THE MATTER OF GTE REInsurance Company Limited.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-mentioned Company, having a registered office at Cedar House, 41 Cedar Avenue, Hamilton, Bermuda, intends to discontinue in Bermuda in accordance with Section 132G of the Companies Act, 1981, as amended, and to continue in the state of Vermont, U.S.A. as if the Company had been incorporated under the laws of the State of Vermont. DATED: This 5th day of August, 1994. APPLEBY, SPURLING & KEMPE Attorneys for the Applicants.

CATERHAM SCHOOL, CATERHAM, SURREY
Sex Discrimination Act 1975
Foundation: Caterham School
NOTICE is hereby given that an application has been made by the governing body of the foundation, as trustee, to the Secretary of State for Education for an Order under Section 78 of the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 to modify the Trusts contained in the Conveyances of the School premises so as to permit the admission of girls throughout the School. A copy of the Draft Order and a copy of the Trusts contained in the Indenture of 1 July 1857 may be inspected at the Bursar's office at the School in normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays during the period ending on 6th September 1994. Representations on the proposed Order may be made to the Secretary of State by any person within one month from 5 August 1994 and should be sent to Legal Branch, Department for Education, Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BT. By order of the Board of Governors. J. Kidd, Clerk to the Governors.

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IN MEMBERS' VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION
COMPANY NO: 2087868
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Rules 4, 182A and 11.2 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that the Liquidator of the above-named company intends to make a distribution to the creditors. Creditors are required to submit full details of their claims and their names and addresses to the Liquidator, R Smith, KPMG Peat Marwick, 20 Farringdon Street, London, EC4A 4PP on or before Friday 26 August 1994, which is the last day for proving claims. Notice is also given that the Liquidator proposes to make a final distribution and that such a distribution will be made without regard to any claims not made by the date mentioned. Note: the company is able to pay all known creditors in full. R Smith Liquidator Dated 1 August 1994

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bearer Share Certificate No 1 representing 6,000 shares of US$ 1 each in the capital stock of Reches N.V. a company incorporated in the Netherlands Antilles whose registered office is at De Ruyterlaade 62, Curacao, Netherlands Antilles was reported lost in London. Anyone with any knowledge of the present whereabouts of the Certificate is requested to contact the Company's representative at the address below as soon as possible but not later than 19 August 1994. If no information is received by 19 August 1994 the Company's Managing Board propose to issue duplicate replacement certificate.

Curacao Corporation Company N.V. De Ruyterlaade 62 Curacao Corporation Netherlands Antilles. Tel: (599-9) 615 555 Fax: (599-9) 612 664 Telex: 1448 CITCO NA.

Notice of appointment of Joint Liquidators
Name of company: B&C Insurance Management (Holdings) Limited.
Nature of business: Holding Company. Address of registered office: Kings House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH. Joint Liquidators names and address: S J L Adamson and G H Hughes, Ernst & Young, Becket House, 1 Lambeth Palace Road, London, SE1 7EU. Date of appointment: 29 July 1994. By whom appointed: Members and Creditors. NOTICE TO CREDITORS
B&C Insurance Management (Holdings) Limited (In Liquidation)
The creditors of the above-named company are requested, on or before 30 September 1994 to send their names, addresses and particulars of their claims to the undersigned, the Joint Liquidators of the company, at Ernst & Young, Becket House, 1 Lambeth Palace Road, London SE1 7EU. Date 29 July 1994
S J L Adamson and G H Hughes Joint Liquidators

Notice of appointment of Joint Liquidators
Name of company: Greenmall Limited
Nature of business: Holding Company. Address of registered office: Kings House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH. Joint Liquidators names and address: S J L Adamson and G H Hughes, Ernst & Young, Becket House, 1 Lambeth Palace Road, London SE1 7EU. Date of appointment: 29 July 1994. By whom appointed: Members. NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Greenmall Limited (In Liquidation)
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S J L Adamson and G H Hughes Joint Liquidators

THE ROYLON INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED
THE CENTRAL INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED
SCREENSHIRE LIMITED
(ALL IN LIQUIDATION)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Creditors of the above named companies are required on or before the 16th day of September 1994 to send their names and addresses and particulars of their debts or claims and the names and addresses of their solicitors of any) to G H Hughes of Ernst & Young, Becket House, 1 Lambeth Palace Road, London SE1 7EU the joint liquidator of the said companies and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidators, by their solicitors or personally, to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved. Dated this 1st day of August 1994. G H Hughes Joint Liquidator

PROMETHEUS APPLIANCES LIMITED
Notice is hereby given that the Creditors of the above named Company are required, on or before 12th September, 1994, to send their names and addresses to the undersigned, Mr Panos Eliades, of Messrs. Panos Eliades, Franklin & Co., 6, Bloomsbury Square, London, WC1A 2LP., Liquidator of the said Company, are by their Solicitors or personally, to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved. Dated this 2nd day of August, 1994. PANOS ELIADES, LIQUIDATOR.

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☐ The NatWest's debt collector moves to Lime Street ☐ Top honours for Halifax ☐ Tackling the trouble with Tecs

Lloyd's sends in the rottweilers

☐ KNOCK, knock.
Who's there?
The Lime Street gang.
Whaddya want?
A little information.
Such as?
Are you a can't pay or won't pay?
Won't pay.
Take that.
Aaah.

Surrey's leafy lanes will not, hopefully, bear witness to such doorstep dramas but, one way or another, Lloyd's of London is intent on cracking down on those names who are not playing the game.

The game, which will presumably be avoided by all but the contra thinkers for a generation to come, is to stump up in respect of Lloyd's underwriting losses which, in the space of four years, have ballooned to more than £8 billion. Such losses are pondered by no less than 31,000 names of which only 18,000 are still actively underwriting. The unlucky 13,000 long ago tired of the game but cannot leave the green baize until Lloyd's closes its old years.

David Rowland, chairman of Lloyd's, emphasised yesterday that Lloyd's get-tough policy is not directed at those names who can't pay — due to hardship — but at those who are evading their liabilities. In his words: "We want to be fair and sympathetic to those who have demonstrated willingness to pay, but we will be firm and determined with those who have demonstrated unwillingness to pay."

Enter Bernard Bradford, former debt collection specialist at the NatWest, to chair Lloyd's rottweiler unit. Bradford would appear well qualified for the task. No less than £2 billion was set aside by the NatWest to cover bad debts for 1991 after certain "departures from the principles of sound lending."

Also joining the Lime Street gang is Philip Holden of solicitors Dibb Lupton Broomhead. The said firm specialises, among much else, in debt collection and, with offices in London, Leeds, Manchester and Sheffield, its arm is long.

The scale of the problem, which Lloyd's hastens to describe as a "new phenomenon," is illustrated by the fact that Lime Street's central fund was forced to set aside more than £400 million last year to meet unpaid debts. Because of the newness of the phenomenon, Lloyd's is unable to quantify the extent of unpaid losses nor, at this stage, does it wish to estimate how many names are in arrears. In the words of one Lime Street denizen: "The information is here but the data spans various departments." Messrs Bradford and Holden's priority will be to collate such data and present proposals to Lime Street's ruling council come mid-September. As one source put it: "Some names receive demands and react like rabbits caught in the headlights. Others distance themselves from their assets."

Lloyd's strategy clearly starts with quantification. Hard talking will follow, the ultimate sanction coming in the shape of awrit. Expect few tears from names who have paid their dues.

Biggest can be best

☐ COMING top of the UBS financial performance league might not seem as important to the Halifax as it was for the reputation of the long-time leader Cheltenham & Gloucester. But it is a real feather in the cap of what was once considered the lumbering giant of the building society world. In 1989, Halifax

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ranked only fifteenth and has worked hard to become more efficient.

In an under-analysed industry, John Wriglesworth's annual has attained almost biblical status and its message has normally been that biggest is unlikely to be best. Niftier medium-sized societies have grown with lower overheads.

Disproving that lore is particularly timely for the Halifax. Under its new chief executive, it is embarking on a strategic expansion drive to raise its share of the mortgage market, broaden its business base and cut the cost of funds. The latter target has become more pressing following Lloyds' attempted takeover of C&G, regardless of whether that particular project finally succeeds. If Halifax is to stay as a mutual, its chosen route of aiming for a banking licence looks sensible. If the society is to tap long-term wholesale funds, and develop its treasury operations, it needs a better image in the international market than being the British equivalent of an American savings and loan. Topping the UBS league will help.

As *Pennington* recently argued, merging with one or more of the other big societies no longer looks the best way forward, especially if the Halifax wants to keep its newly attained UBS ranking. The members who have to approve such mergers now know they can pocket far more money via some kind of conversion to plc status, whether by takeover or by following Abbey National to an independent flotation. If a mutual started shelling out big money, it would soon erode its borrowing status.

Far better to absorb smaller societies, offer new mortgage products, or start a parallel low-overhead central lending operation. Halifax is already moving into life assurance and unit trusts and should beware of stretching its management resources too thinly.

More powerful chambers please

☐ THE trouble with Training and Enterprise Councils is that they are artificial creations, yet to develop anything but the shallowest of roots in busineess communities. The forthcoming Government study may or may not confirm a private one damning London's as the worst, but that would come as no surprise. The turnover of businessmen on their boards has been high, making it harder for them to become sensitive to the actual needs of local businesses.

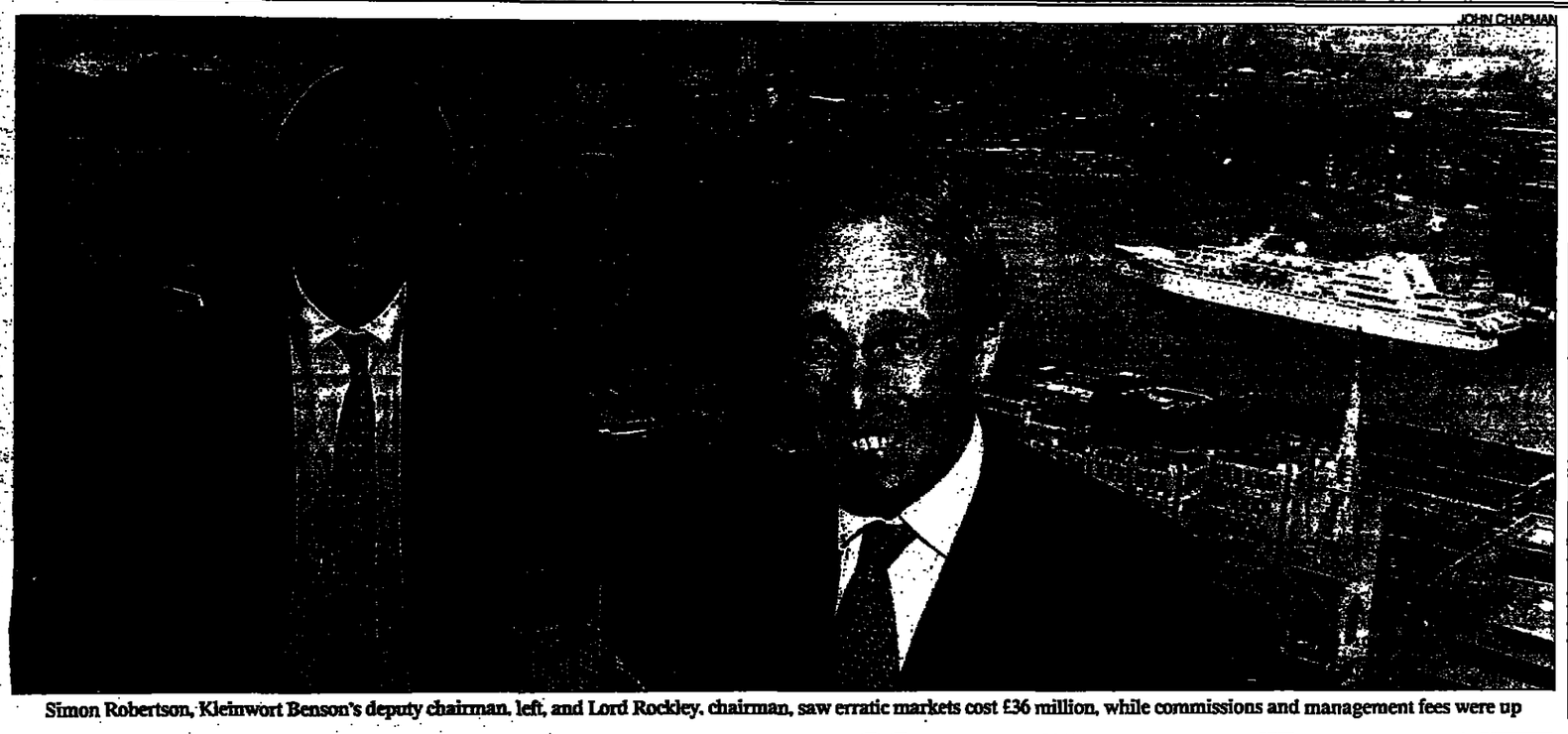
If Michael Portillo agonises over these worthy institutions, he would do well to sink his differences with Michael Heseltine and pool thinking. The trade department has related doubts over its hived-off local business advice networks, moving its President to berate industry for lack of enthusiasm. The DTI has in many cases tied up with local Chambers of Commerce but there is no national pattern so the early results are likely to be just as patchy as the Tecs'.

Their common problem is that Britain lacks the powerful national network of local business chambers that have such influence in many continental countries. That is a legacy of excessive control by Whitehall and town hall over many decades. The Government is now moving in the right direction but cannot simply conjure such a network into being unless it follows the statutory German route. Britain does have some extremely strong and effective Chambers but only where local business was strong enough to keep the flame alive during the wilderness years. These form a base Britain needs to build on.

Gilded sheep

☐ THE gilt-edged market suffered a collective loss of nerve on the eve of today's Treasury Bill tender, following the false panic after last week's assumed prelude to a base rate rise. Conspiracy theories are now rife among the losers. The reality, which occasionally used to strike the old discount houses, is that in turbulent times, traders need to follow their own judgment instead of following the crowd.

JOHN CHAPMAN



Simon Robertson, Kleinwort Benson's deputy chairman, left, and Lord Rockley, chairman, saw erratic markets cost £36 million, while commissions and management fees were up

Kleinwort Benson suffers from market turbulence

By Robert Miller

WORLDWIDE turbulence in the equity and bond markets caused a sharp fall of £36 million in dealing profits for Kleinwort Benson, which yesterday announced pre-tax profits of £45.8 million (£42.2 million) in the six months to June 30.

Kleinwort, one of the City's leading merchant banks, saw its net dealing income fall to £24.3 million against £60.6 million.

This was counter-balanced by a 42 per cent jump in income from fees and commissions to £147.7 million and a rise in profits from investment management from £12.1 million to £19.6 million. Kleinwort lifted its interim dividend to 6.75p (6p).

Lord Rockley, chairman of Kleinwort said: "These are not bad results given the circumstances. Stock markets have been jumping all over the place and it is quite easy to lose a lot of money."

The merchant bank's top executives are paid bonuses on an annual basis but in the first half of the current finanicial year expenses were up £6 million at £160.6 million.

Lord Rockley added: "As far as we are concerned if we make the money the sky's the limit on bonuses."

During the first half of the year Kleinwort was involved in 130 international equity transactions and 30 share issues. These included Alliance Capital (US$1.1 billion) and Tele Danmark (US$3 billion).

It was also appointed as an adviser to privatisations in Argentina, Germany, Finland and Turkey as well as global co-ordinator to both PowerGen and National Power.

Kleinwort has more than £19 billion of funds under management and new fund launches include the £500 million European investment trust and £1.5 billion in north American funds.

On the mergers and acquisitions front Kleinwort was involved in the £1.5 billion British Aerospace/Rover deal, the largest UK disposal in the last three years and the $2.3 billion SmithKline Beecham/-DPS deal. The estimated £1.5 billion acquisition by Commercial Union of Groupe Victoire, the French insurer, is still in progress.

In total the merchant bank has been involved in 16 transactions so far this year valued at £5.4 billion.

Lord Rockley said: "The solid progress made by the group reflects the commitment of our staff to our clients throughout a period of high market volatility.

"As business confidence continues to recover, we are well positioned to handle the opportunities that will follow."

Commenting on the results at Kleinwort, one merchant bank analyst said: "They were a bit better than expected. But they did include several very large fee earners such as SmithKline Beecham, Rover and Commercial Union which may not be repeated in the second half."

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Allied Irish Banks ahead to Ir£162m

By Robert Miller

ALLIED Irish Banks (AIB), Ireland's largest bank, with assets of Ir£21 billion (£20.8 billion), yesterday announced a Ir £20 million rise in pre-tax profits, to Ir £162 million, in the six months to June 30.

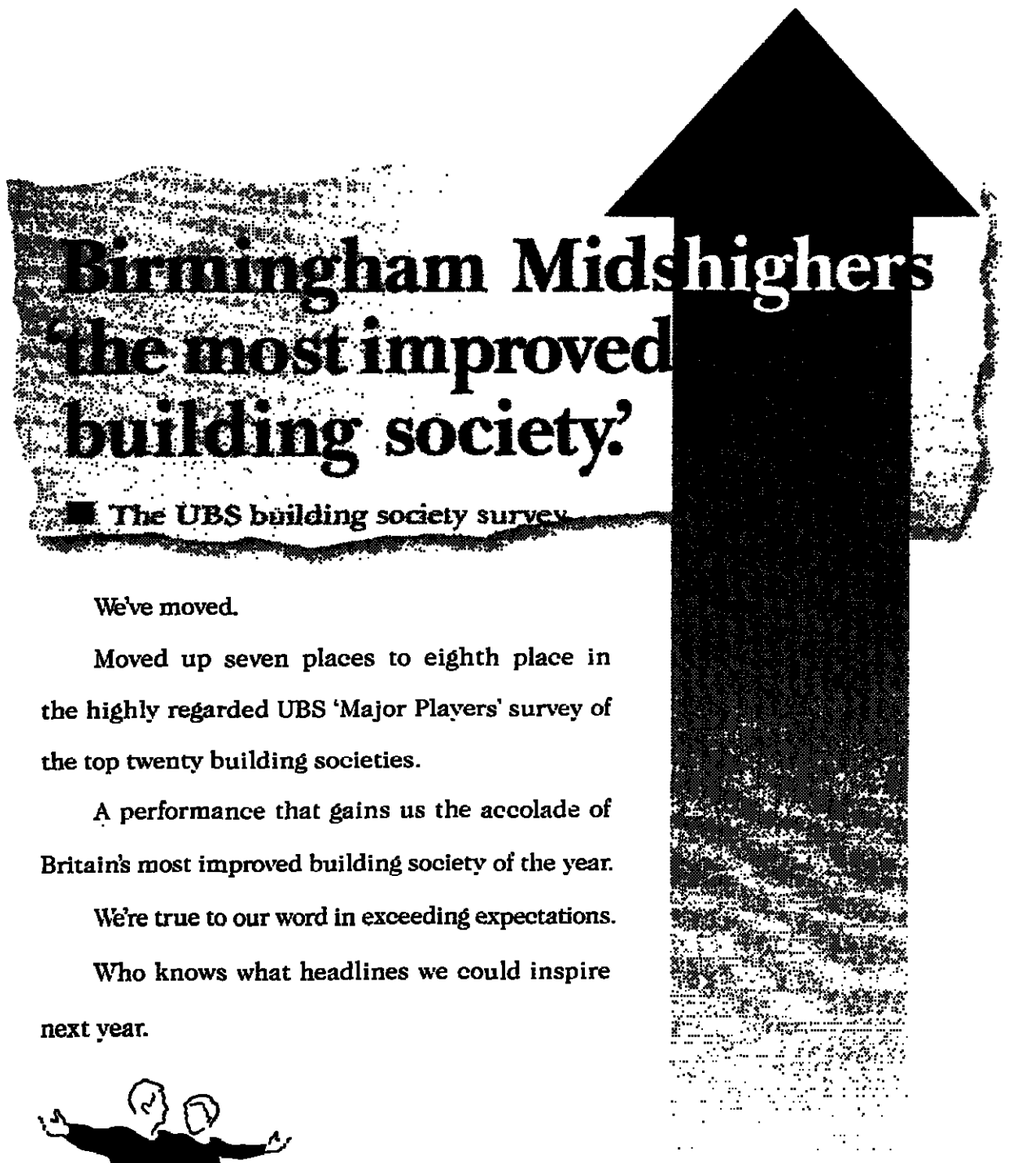
However, AIB, which hopes to acquire a building society in Britain, saw a sharp decline of Ir £18 million, to Ir £13.5 million, in half-year profits from its capital markets arm. The bank said: "Difficult and volatile bond markets had an adverse impact on Treasury profits in the half year, and in particular on its trading portfolio in European currencies." The interim dividend rises by 12 per cent, to Ir 4.6p (4.10p).

AIB said that total lending to customers in the Irish Republic was up by 5.1 per cent in the half year. Profits from the domestic division rose to Ir £80.2 million (Ir £68.9 million).

In Britain, profits jumped to Ir £14.5 million, from Ir £2.3 million. In the US, AIB's profits were up nearly 34 per cent, to Ir £53.5 million (Ir £40 million). Bad debt provision for the group fell by 44 per cent, to Ir £43.3 million.

Martin Cross, bank analyst with UBS, the broker, said: "AIB's profits are at the very top end of market expectations, despite the severe decline in profits from capital markets. The bank has, for some years, been looking to buy a non-top ten UK building society. The quite chunky dividend increase could be an attempt to push the share price up prior to a rights issue which could fund the acquisition, although the bank is thought to prefer expanding its US operations."

AIB said that it could fund an acquisition from existing equity up to the value of Ir £3 billion.



Lufthansa lifts off over rights

By Colin Narbrough

LUFTHANSA, the German state-controlled national carrier, drew strong investor interest on the Frankfurt bourse yesterday amid speculation that the launch of the first tranche of a planned rights issue is imminent.

A company spokesman said that preparations for the issue were "under way at full speed" and that the issue could take place in the next few weeks.

Earlier this year, Lufthansa indicated it was considering offering shares at about Dm160, a 20 per cent discount to the bourse price, suggesting it wanted the market price to reach DM200.

Yesterday, they closed up DM6.30 at DM223.80. The issue will start the process of diluting the government stake, reducing it from a majority to a minority.

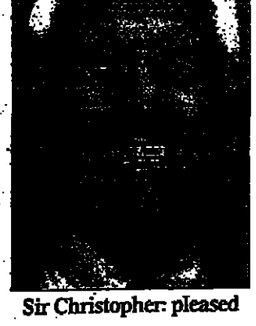
TI raises profits 11% at half time

By Neil Bennett

TI GROUP, the braking systems and aircraft undercarriage maker, demonstrated the recovery in its industrial markets, particularly in America, by increasing profits by 11 per cent to £69.8 million in the first half of the year.

Sir Christopher Lewinton, the chairman and chief executive, said he was pleased with the results which had been achieved from a strong performance and market share gains at all three of the group's core divisions. Operating profits from the group's continuing businesses rose by an even sharper 21 per cent since last year's figures included a contribution from businesses which TI has since sold. The half-year dividend is being raised by 5 per cent to 4.05p.

The star performer in the group was the Dowty Aerospace division which increased operating profits by 60 per cent to £13.6 million. TI has completed setting up its Messier-Dowty landing gear joint venture, which will be one of the world's two largest undercarriage manufacturers.



Sir Christopher: pleased

The rise in profits helped TI to cut its borrowings by £45 million to £135 million. The company said it was looking for in-fill acquisitions to expand its core divisions and would continue to sell off the remainder of its non-core engineering businesses.

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Kidder sacks supervisor of Joseph Jett

KIDDER, Peabody and Co has dismissed Melvin Mullin, the former supervisor of Joseph Jett, after concluding that false trading profits allegedly generated by Mr Jett resulted from "lax oversight, as well as poor judgments and missed opportunities".

The firm yesterday released an internal report on the affair. In addition, Kidder has demoted two employees temporarily reassigned when Mr Jett was dismissed. Four others were reprimanded.

Mr Jett was dismissed on April 17 after Kidder accused him of generating $350 million in phantom bond profits in an alleged trading scheme claimed to be hiding about $100 million in trading losses. Kidder alleged that Mr Jett had also inflated his bonus.

Kenneth Warner, for Mr Jett, disputed the findings of the inquiry. "Had Jett's account of what really happened been considered, the conclusions of this report would necessarily have been dramatically different."

Electricity shares confident as review nears

ELECTRICITY shares shone in a duller market amid mounting speculation that next week's regulatory review by Offer, the industry watchdog, will be highly favourable.

Among distributors, **Eastern Electricity** added 18p to 688p, **London** 12p to 621p, **Manweb** 17p to 742p, **Midlands** 17p to 680p, **Northern** 20p to 725p, **Norweb** 25p to 728p, **South Wales** 18p to 702p, **South West** 15p to 671p and **Yorkshire** 16p to 657p. Graeme Moyse, electricity analyst at Kleinwort Benson, said: "I think it is going to be a difficult review, but the regionals will be able to deal with it."

Light profit-taking and weaker gilts combined with a negative start on Wall Street to dampen sentiment in late London trading. The FT-SE 100 index fell 9.9 points to 3,150.5, though continued demand for second-liners saw the FT-SE Mid 250 index advance 10.6 to 3,700.2. Volume reached 670.6 million.

Zeneca was the star performer among companies reporting, with the shares up 24p at 795p in the wake of modest profit upgradings following half-year results. Other drugs groups were mixed. **Glaxo**, which has won Serevent approval in France, held steady at 603p, while **SmithKline Beecham**, believed to be in asset-swap talks with Cyanamid of the US, firmed 3p to 425p. **Wellcome**, subject of recent bid speculation in the wake of the American Home Products $8.5 billion bid for American

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Cyanamid, advanced 9½p to 685½p.

Shares in **Euro Disney** rose 7p to 127p on news that the company had received an 80 per cent take-up for its recent rights issue to raise Fr5.95 billion (£718 million), which was part of a Fr13 billion rescue deal arranged with the theme park operator's bankers. With Walt Disney committed to subscribe to 49 per cent of the seven-for-two rights issue, the take-up by individual investors for the remainder of the shares was 61 per cent.

However, dealers said that the banks which underwrote the part of the Euro Disney issue reserved for the public are unlikely to be left holding shares. In June, Saudi prince Prince al-Waleed bin Talal agreed to buy between 13 and 24 per cent of the company from the banks and Disney, and the banks are therefore likely to sell on any unsubscribed shares to him.

BAT Industries fell 14p to 446p after advisers to the US Food and Drug Administration declared that nicotine in cigarettes was addictive.

Glynwed International, up 5p to 390p, was in demand after unveiling a 59 per cent interim profits advance, with reports that James Capel had upgraded its full-year profit forecast to £67 million, from £61 million. **TI Group** firmed 7p to 412p after reporting an 11.1 per cent increase in first half profits, prompting Lehman Brothers to lift its full-year profit forecast to about £145 million (£140 million).

Holiday price war worries continued to unsettle **Airtours**, 10p lower at 449p, giving a two-day loss of 20p.

Tiphook, the troubled trailer rental group, was again a nervous market before results next week which the City expects to show heavy losses and a possible rights. The shares slid 4p to 30p, giving a two-day loss of 8p.

USM newcomer **Magnum** made a nervous debut ending with a ½p premium at 35½p.

☐ **GILT-EDGED:** Government stocks opened weaker and were dragged lower by a disappointing French auction and softer Bunds. Profit-taking pushed stocks below support levels and the September series of the long gilt future ended 31 ticks lower at £102⁷⁄₃₂, on volume of 79,000 contracts.

Among cash stocks, medium and longer-dated issues were hardest hit, with losses stretching to more than a full point at the long end.

☐ **NEW YORK:** A sell-off in shares of the big three Detroit carmakers after they reported July sales figures helped keep the Dow Jones industrial average in negative territory. At midday it was 12.62 points lower at 3,780.04. US Treasuries were narrowly mixed.

PHILIP PANGALOS



ANTHONY HARRIS

World capital flows: a crazy whirlpool

The theory of liberated world capital markets could hardly be simpler: they are the channel through which the savings of thrifty countries, whose thrift is expressed in a large current surplus, flow to the markets where opportunity is most attractive, and whose needs for equipment push them into deficit. This neat symmetry has even led Martin Feldstein, who was President Reagan's chief economic adviser until he resigned in disgust, to argue that the huge Reagan current deficits were "necessary" to attract capital for US industry.

This paradox looks like nonsense, and it is nonsense, because the real world bears almost no resemblance to the theory. It leaves out all the stuff that matters: speculation and exchange rates. Willing private flows would make a perfect world allocation of capital only if investors had long horizons and perfect foresight.

In the real world, they are fallible speculators. In the theory, exchange rates would move only to equalise profit margins (a devaluation raises profits, and vice versa). In the real world, these rate movements excite speculators more than anything else. Private capital flows in sloppy tidal waves, and exchange rates overshoot for years together. In the theoretical world, central bank exchange dealers could sleep peacefully, since exchange rates would automatically reach an appropriate level (appropriate, that is, in a capitalist sense). Monetary policy would be purely domestic. In the real world, the banks worry all the time, adjusting interest rates in sometimes futile efforts to stabilise exchange rates. When that fails, they go into the markets themselves, and on a huge scale. The result is that although we live in a world of theoretically clean floating ("Central banks cannot determine exchange rates"), intervention is now at record levels.

In the last 18 months, for example, foreign central banks have bought some $90 billion of US government securities, raising world dollar reserves by 30 per cent. In the same period, the US Fed has bought $60 billion of Treasuries, quite largely to finance the printing of the dollar bills which are increasingly the currency of choice in Russia and other financially disorderly countries. This demand alone, which amounts to interest-free finance, is enough to finance about half the US current deficit: seignorage on a global scale.

This ought to make the dollar uncomfortably strong. So why is it critically weak? It defies neat reason. Japan is still struggling to break out of recession. Industrial investment is at a long-term low, the current account (and thus national saving) is at record levels, and the big banks are still nursing some $60 billion of non-performing loans. Japanese capital, you might suppose, would be in abject flight. Yet until a few weeks ago private capital was pouring into Japan; and the faster the flow, the stronger the yen. Perversity is self-feeding.

This is partly the result of the Japanese stock crash in 1988: long enough ago, on normal Japanese form, to permit another long bull market. But it also reflects a new perversity of recent years: world capital markets punish virtue, or at least virtue in countries with a past record of vice. In the long run, tighter budgets and export-led growth will earn their market reward, but in the short run the things governments have to do to achieve these results, raising taxes to balance the budget and interest rates to restrain domestic demand, tend to depress financial markets. Capital flows out. Germany or Japan might get away with good conduct, but not the US or Britain.

All this means restless times for the globally diversified investor. If you want to make any sense of the speculative tides you might try chaos theory, or some form of global chartism. Riding the waves is as exciting as surfing, and just as hazardous. Or you may decide to take your profits (or your lumps) and fall back on the familiar (and recently quite exciting) domestic market, confident that virtue will in the end bring its reward. And reflect that if others did likewise, and made the global market less global, it might make more sense.

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

THE POUND

US $	1.5387 (-0.0011)
German mark	2.4324 (+0.0003)
Exchange index	79.3 (Same)

Bank of England official close (4pm)

STOCK MARKET

FT-SE 100	3150.5 (-9.9)
Dow Jones	3780.04 (-12.62)*
Nikkei Avg	20676.84 (+44.11)

INTEREST RATES

London Bank Base	5¼%
3-month Interbank	5⁹⁄₁₆-5⁷⁄₁₆%
US Federal Funds	4¼%*
3-month Treas Bills	4.31-4.30%*
Long Bond	7.39%*

CURRENCIES

New York:		London:	
£ $	1.5396*	£:$	1.5395
$:DM	1.5815*	£:DM	2.4338
$:SWfr	1.3357*	£:SWfr	2.0563
$:Ffr	5.4105*	£:Ffr	8.3295
$:Yen	100.17*	£:Yen	154.21
£:SDR	1.0619	£:ECU	1.2644

London Forex market close

GOLD

London Fixing ($)

AM 377.50	PM 377.50
Close	378.00-378.50
New York: Comex	377.25-377.75*

OIL

Brent Crude ... $18.30 per bbl (Oct)

RETAIL PRICES

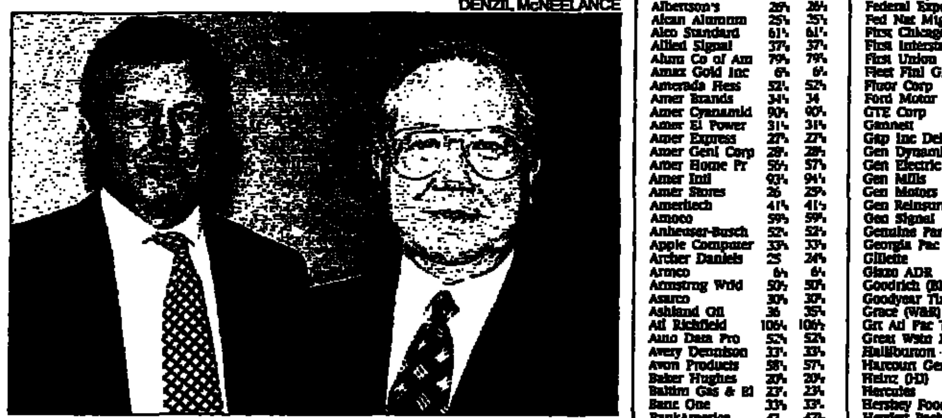
RPI: 144.7 Jun (2.6%) Jan 1987=100

* Denotes midday trading price

Glynwed tops £29m with steady growth

By Colin Campbell

DENZIL McNEELANCE



Bruce Ralph, left, and Gareth Davies yesterday

GLYNWED International, the Midlands steels and engineering group that is evaluating a design for a new "wonder plug" for baths, notes steady growth in the UK automotive, engineering and steel sectors in the six months to June 30.

Group interim pre-tax profits rose from £18.3 million to £29.1 million on turnover of £489.6 million (£476.1 million), and Glynwed says that it is confident of satisfactory performance in the second half.

However, Gareth Davies, chairman, says that recovery in the UK economy has not yet spread to all areas of operation, with confidence in the housing market still seeming to be lacking. Markets for home improvement goods and related consumer durable products have been sluggish, he says.

Glynwed is keeping its interim dividend at 4.15p, from net earnings per share up by 59.9 per cent, from 5.73p to 9.16p. The group said that paying more would have been too strong a signal to the market, and it was reserving its position until the final payment.

The Leisure sink business did well, as did Aga-Rayburn, which is gaining from an increase in Aga shops. Flavel-Leisure held its market share in domestic cookers and increased its share in gas fires.

Plastics division profits rose by 18.3 per cent, aided in the UK by higher demand from the gas industry, but continental markets were difficult.

Bruce Ralph, Glynwed's chief executive, said that the "Pop Plug" was one of many ideas brought to Glynwed, and that management was testing it and assessing markets before deciding whether to take the concept forward.

WALL STREET

	Aug 4 midday	Aug 3 close
AMP Inc	74	73
AMR Corp	57	58
AT & T	54	54
Abbott Labs	28	27
Aetna Life	50	50
Ahmanson (HF)	20	20
Air Prod & Chem	48	50
Albertson's	26	26
Alcan Alumnm	25	35
Alco Standard	61	61
Allied Signal	37	37
Alum Co of Am	79	79
Amax Gold Inc	6	6
Amerada Hess	52	52
Amer Brands	34	34
Amer Cyanamid	90	90
Amer El Power	31	31
Amer Express	27	27
Amer Genl Corp	28	28
Amer Home Pr	56	57
Amer Intl	93	94
Amer Stores	26	25
Ameritech	41	41
Amoco	59	59
Anheuser-Busch	52	52
Apple Computer	33	33
Archer Daniels	25	24
Armco	6	6
Armstrng Wrld	50	50
Asarco	30	30
Ashland Oil	36	35
Atl Richfield	106	106
Auto Data Pro	52	52
Avery Dennison	33	33
Avon Products	58	57
Baker Hughes	20	20
Baltim Gas & El	23	23
Banc One	33	33
BankAmerica	47	47
Bank of NY	31	31
Bankers Tr NY	68	67
Barnett Banks	44	44
Bausch & Lomb	36	36
Baxter Intl	26	26
Becton Dicknsn	43	43
Bell Atlantic	58	57
BellSouth	62	62
Black & Decker	21	20
Block (H&R)	40	39
Boeing	49	48
Boise Cascade	25	26
Borden Inc	11	11
Bristol Myrs Sq	53	53
Browning Ferris	31	31
Brunswick	23	24
Burlington Nthn	52	52
CBS	313	314
CNA Financial	61	61
CPC Intl	50	50
CSX	78	79
Campbell Soup	37	37
Can Pacific	16	16
Cpd Cities ABC	77	76
Carolina Pwr	25	26
Caterpillar	108	108
Central & SW	22	22
Champion Intl	34	34
Chase Manhat	35	36
Chemical Bk	38	38
Chevron Corp	43	43
Chrysler	45	47
Chubb Corp	74	74
Cigna Corp	69	67
Citicorp	41	41
Clorox	49	49
Coastal Corp	30	30
Coca Cola	43	43
Colgate-Palmolive	52	52
Columbia Gas	28	28
Commonw Ed	22	22
Compaq Comp	31	31
Comp Ass Int	39	39
Conagra	31	31
Cons Edison	29	29
Cons Nat Gas	39	39
Cons Rail	59	58
Cooper Inds	38	39
Corning Inc	31	31
Crown Cork	35	35
Dana Corp	28	29
Dayton Hudson	83	82
Deere	70	70
Delta Air Lines	48	48
Deluxe Corp	27	27
Detroit Edison	26	26
Digital Equip	20	20
Dillard Dept St	32	32
Disney (Walt)	42	42
Dominion Res	37	37
Donelley (RR)	29	28
Dover Corp	58	58
Dow Chemical	70	71
Dow Jones	30	30
Dresser	21	21
Duke Power	39	39
Dun & Bradstreet	58	57
Du Pont	60	59
Eastman Kodak	48	48
Eaton Corp	49	50
Emerson Elec	61	60
Engelhard Corp	25	25
Enron Corp	31	31
Entergy	26	26
Ethyl Corp	11	11
Exxon	59	59
FMC Corp	57	57
FPL Group	32	32
Federal Express	66	67
Fed Nat Mtge	86	86
First Chicago	50	50
First Interstate	74	75
First Union Rlty	6	6
Fleet Finl Grp	37	37
Fluor Corp	53	54
Ford Motor	29	31
GTE Corp	32	32
Gannett	51	51
Gap Inc Del	38	38
Gen Dynamics	39	39
Gen Electric	48	49
Gen Mills	50	50
Gen Motors	50	52
Gen Reinsurance	113	114
Gen Signal	35	35
Genuine Parts	35	35
Georgia Pac	67	69
Gillette	69	69
Glaxo ADR	18	18
Goodrich (BF)	45	45
Goodyear Tire	34	35
Grace (W&R)	40	41
Grt Atl Pac Tea	20	20
Great Wstn Fin	19	19
Halliburton	32	32
Harcourt General	35	35
Heinz (HJ)	35	36
Hercules	110	109
Hershey Foods	42	41
Hewlett Packard	80	79
Hilton Hotels	62	61
Home Depot	41	41
Homestake Mng	18	18
Honeywell	32	32
Household Intl	34	34
Houston Inds	36	36
Humana	18	19
ITT Corp	86	86
Illinois Tool	41	41
Illinova	21	n/a
INCO	28	28
Ingersoll Rand	36	35
Inland Steel	40	41
Intel Corp	57	58
IBM	62	63
Intl Flav & Fr	42	43
Intl Paper	75	76
James River Va	21	21
Jhnsn & Jhnsn	48	48
Kellogg	51	51
Kerr-McGee	49	49
Kimberly-Clark	59	59
Kmart	16	16
Knight-Ridder	54	53
Lilly (Eli)	49	49
Limited Inc	18	19
LIN Brdcstng	125	125
Lincoln Nat	37	37
Litton	38	38
Liz Claiborne	21	21
Lockheed	64	64
Louisiana Pac	32	33
MCI Comm	23	23
Marriott Int	27	26
Marsh & McLnn	86	85
Masco Corp	26	26
May Dept St	39	38
Maytag Corp	18	18
McCaw Cellular	52	52
McDonalds	26	26
McDonnell D	113	112
McGraw Hill	70	70
Mead Corp	47	47
Medtronic	86	87
Mellon Bk	57	58
Melville Corp	37	37
Merck Inc	29	29
Merrill Lynch	37	37
Minnesota Mine	54	54
Mobil Corp	83	83
Monsanto	82	81
Morgan (JP)	63	62
Motorola Inc	53	53
Natl Medical	18	17
Natl Semi	17	17
Natl Service Ind	26	26
Navistar Int	13	14
NBD Bancorp	32	32
NY Times A	24	24
Newmont Mng	39	39
Niag Mohawk	16	16
Nike B	64	63
NL Industries	11	11
Norsm Energy	6	6
Nordstrom	43	42
Norfolk Sthrn	63	63
Nthn State Pwr	43	43
Norwest Corp	26	25
Nynex Corp	39	39
Occidental Pet	21	20
Ohio Edison	19	19
Oracle Systems	37	37
Oryx Energy Co	15	15
Owens Corning	34	34
PNC Financial	28	28
PPG Industries	38	39
Paccar Inc	48	48
Pacificorp	18	18
Pac Enterprises	20	20
Pac Gas & Elect	25	25
Pac Telesis	32	32
Pall Corp	16	16
Panhandle East	22	21
Parker Hannifin	42	43
Peco Energy	27	27
Penney (JC)	49	48
Pennzoil	50	50
Pepsico	30	30
Pfizer	63	63
Phelps Dodge	62	62
Philip Morris	54	55
Phillips Pet	31	31
Pitney Bowes	36	36
Polaroid	34	34
PriceCostco	15	14
Procter & Gmbl	54	55
Pub Serv E & G	28	28
Quaker Oats	76	76
Ralston Purina	37	37
Raychem Corp	36	36
Raytheon	65	65
Reebok Intl	36	36
Reynolds Metals	50	50
Roadway Srvcs	61	61
Rockwell Intl	35	35
Rohm & Haas	63	64
Royal Dutch	112	112
Rubbermaid	27	27
Safeco Corp	55	56
St Paul's Cos	43	42
Salomon Inc	43	44
Santa Fe Pac	20	14
Sara Lee Corp	20	20
Seecorp	14	14
Schering Plough	67	67
Schlumberger	59	60
Scott Paper	61	61
Seagram	31	31
Sears Roebuck	47	48
Shell Trans	67	68
Sherwin Wllms	33	34
Skyline Corp	19	19
Snap-On-Tools	36	36
Southern Co	19	19
Sthwestern Bell	42	42
Sprint Corp	37	37
Stanley Works	40	40
Sun Company	27	28
Sun Micrsys	23	23
Suntrust	48	48
Supervalu	28	28
Syntex Corp	22	23
Sysco Corp	23	24
TRW Inc	71	71
TCC Inds	3	n/a
Tandem Comp	14	14
Tandy Corp	37	38
Teledyne	18	18
Temple Inland	52	53
Tenneco	48	48
Texaco	62	62
Texas Inst	79	79
Texas Utilities	33	33
Textron	53	53
Time Warner	36	36
Times-Mirror	30	30
Timken	37	36
Torchmark	40	39
Toys R Us	33	33
Transamerica	53	52
Travelers	33	34
Tribune	51	51
Tyco Labs	43	43
UST Inc	29	29
UAL	99	99
USX Marathon	17	18
Unilever NV	109	110
Union Camp	49	49
Union Carbide	31	31
Union Pacific	58	59
Unisys Corp	8	8
USAir Group	6	6
USF&G Corp	13	13
US Life	36	36
US West	41	41
United Tech	62	62
Unocal Corp	28	28
Upjohn	33	32
VF Corp	50	50
WMX Tech	28	28
Wal-Mart Stores	24	25
Warner-Lambert	73	72
Wells Fargo	158	157
Westinghouse El	12	12
Weyerhaeuser	43	44
Whirlpool	51	51
Whitman	16	16
Winn Dixie	45	45
Woolworth	14	14
Wrigley (Wm) Jr	39	39
Xerox	102	103

TOURIST RATES

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.25	2.05
Austria Sch	18.05	16.55
Belgium Fr	53.08	48.68
Canada $	2.244	2.084
Cyprus Cyp£	0.771	0.721
Denmark Kr	10.14	9.34
Finland Mkk	8.65	7.85
France Fr	8.74	8.04
Germany Dm	2.58	2.37
Greece Dr	379.00	354.00
Hong Kong $	12.56	11.55
Ireland Pt	1.08	0.98
Italy Lira	2505.00	2350.00
Japan Yen	169.50	152.50
Malta	0.614	0.559
Netherlds Gld	2.873	2.643
Norway Kr	11.18	10.38
Portugal Esc	258.50	240.00
S Africa Rd	REF.	5.50
Spain Pta	207.00	193.00
Sweden Kr	12.38	11.58
Switzerland Fr	2.19	2.01
Turkey Lira	REFER	48526.0
USA $	1.638	1.508

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques. Rates as at close of trading yesterday.

RECENT ISSUES

3i (272)	302	+4½
Ball Giff Shn Npn Wts	87	...
Carnell (18)	28	...
Emrg Markets Country	53	-1
Emrg Mkts Country Wts	35	...
Eurodollar (220)	230	+4
Exco (175)	197	-1
Freeport Leisure	70	...
Ideal Hardware	281	-1
JF Fledge Japan Wts	69	...
John Mansfield (3)	3¼	...
Magnum Power	35½	...
Old Mutual SA (100)	97	...
Old Mutual SA Wts	43½	...
Orbis (23)	29	...
Panther Securities (90)	93	...
Panther Wts	17	+2
Petroceltic	39	...
Schroder Japan Gwth	95½	...
Schroder Japan Wts	52	...
Scudder Latin Amer	91	+1½
Scudder Latin Amer Wts	43	...
Shires Hi-Yldg Smlr C (100)	99	...
Sth Country Homes	13	...
TR Euro Gwth Ptg Sb (100)	99½	+½
Tops Estates Wts	34	...
VideoLogic	40½	-1
Yates Bros Wine (140)	168	+1

RIGHTS ISSUES

BCE Hldgs n/p (8)	1½	...
Bolton n/p (15)	1½	-½
CRT n/p (85)	10½	...
Finelist n/p (120)	23	...
Freeport Leisure n/p	5	...
P & P n/p (60)	7	-1
Prestwick n/p (24)	1	...
Surrey Group n/p (1¼)	¼	...
Waddington (John) n/p (190)	18	...

MAJOR CHANGES

RISES:

Matthew Clark	624p (+15p)
ADT	673p (+10p)
Zeneca	795p (+24p)
Caledonia	734p (+14p)
Yorkshire TV	315p (+10p)
Adscene	290p (+20p)
Reed Int	812p (+14p)
David Smith	558p (+10p)
J Smurfit	405p (+9p)
Herring Baker	51p (+13p)

FALLS:

Cable Wireless	445p (-9p)
BAA	960p (-12p)
Airtours	449p (-10p)
Lex Service	412p (-10p)
Pearson	633p (-11p)
Enterprise	423p (-13p)
Portals	673p (-9p)
BAT	446p (-14p)

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FT-SE VOLUMES

ASDA Gp	11,000	Caradon	319	Legal & Gn	681	Scot Power	1,700
Abbey Natl	3,000	Carlton Cms	572	Lloyds Bk	1,600	Sears	3,500
Alld-Lyons	637	Coats Vyla	1,400	MEPC	243	Svrn Trent	2,000
Argyll Gp	6,700	Cm Union	611	Marks Spr	1,200	Shell Trans	1,800
Arjo Wiggn	368	Courtaulds	679	NFC	2,000	Siebe	486
AB Foods	16	De La Rue	394	NatWst Bk	5,000	SmKl Bch	3,500
BAA	534	Eastern Elec	1,700	Nat Power	1,800	Smith Nph	520
BAT Inds	6,700	Enterpr Oil	2,200	Nth Wst W	1,000	Sthrn Elec	1,900
BOC	1,000	Forte	3,200	P & O	677	Std Chartd	1,500
BP	8,500	GKN	766	Pearson	578	Sun Allnce	752
BTR	2,900	GRE	5,400	PowerGen	3,700	TI Gp	2,500
BT	7,500	GUS	1,300	Prudential	857	TSB	3,300
Bk of Scot	3,700	Gen Acc	1,500	RMC	642	Tesco	7,000
Barclays	2,900	Gen Elec	8,200	RTZ	2,200	Thames W	1,700
Bass	1,000	Glaxo	3,200	Rank Org	1,400	Thrn EMI	265
Blue Circle	1,400	Granada	2,100	Reckitt Col	607	Tomkins	3,300
Boots	4,000	Grand Met	3,700	Redland	1,300	Unilever	567
Bowater	295	Guinness	677	Reed Intl	2,000	Utd Bisc	888
Brit Aero	1,900	HSBC	2,800	Rentokil	413	Vodafone	16,000
Brit Airwys	3,900	Hanson	1,800	Reuters	1,500	Warburg (SG)	376
Brit Gas	8,600	ICI	1,100	Rolls Royce	2,100	Wellcome	2,700
Brit Steel	9,900	Inchcape	3,900	Ryl Ins	1,200	Whitbread	239
Burmah Cst	1,000	Kingfisher	1,100	Ryl Bk Scot	2,300	Wlims Hld	645
Cable Wire	3,600	Ladbroke	3,600	Sainsbury	4,700	Wolseley	325
Cadbury	2,400	Land Secs	1,000	Scot & New	523	Zeneca	4,800

MAJOR INDICES

New York (midday):

Dow Jones	3780.04 (-12.62)
S&P Composite	460.01 (-1.45)

Tokyo:

Nikkei Av'ge	20676.84 (+44.11)

Hong Kong:

Hang Seng	9642.85 (+56.96)

Amsterdam:

EOE Index	419.79 (-1.09)

Sydney: AO ... 2083.5 (+11.1)

Frankfurt:

DAX	2183.36 (-15.56)

FT 30 share: ... 2461.6 (-1.8)

Brussels:

General	7740.43 (+14.55)

Paris: CAC-40 ... 2096.45 (-18.62)

Zurich: SKA Gen ... 670.60 (-1.10)

London:

FT A All-Share	1576.85 (-2.36)
FT Non Financials	1706.72 (-3.16)
FT Gold Mines	232.9 (-1.0)
FT Fixed Interest	111.54 (-0.11)
FT Govt Secs	92.78 (-0.34)
Bargains	26316
SEAQ Volume	670.6m
USM (Datastrm)	157.93 (+0.23)

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

Dealings From	Dealings To	Final Declaration	For Settlement
July 25	August 5	October 27	November 10

Call options were taken out on 4/8/94: Adscene, Butte Mining, Premier Cons, Ransomes, Ramco Oil, Regent Corp, Tadpole Tech, Tullow Oil.

Put: Ransomes.

Put & Call: Butte Mining.

FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Period	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume
FT-SE 100 (Previous open interest: 60600)	Sep 94	3184.0	3188.0	3157.0	3158.0	9453
	Dec 94	3190.0	3190.0	3190.0	3171.0	50
Three Month Sterling (Previous open interest: 532444)	Sep 94	94.19	94.20	94.08	94.13	14515
	Dec 94	93.44	93.47	93.29	93.33	26918
	Mar 95	92.88	92.89	92.72	92.76	6947
Three Mth Eurodollar (Previous open interest: 6764)	Sep 94	94.98	94.98	94.98	94.98	50
	Dec 94	94.32	94.32	94.32	94.32	25
Three Mth Euro DM (Previous open interest: 793896)	Sep 94	95.16	95.16	95.08	95.09	34321
	Dec 94	95.09	95.11	94.95	94.96	92763
Long Gilt (Previous open interest: 118123)	Sep 94	103-13	103-19	101-30	102-07	78797
	Dec 94	102-10	102-10	102-10	101-23	1
Japanese Govmt Bond	Sep 94	108.00	108.10	107.86	108.03	2831
	Dec 94	107.10	107.17	106.95	107.08	821
German Gov Bd Bund (Previous open interest: 187163)	Sep 94	94.16	94.19	93.45	93.52	135294
	Dec 94	93.48	93.49	92.80	92.83	2494
German Gov Bd Bobl (Previous open interest: 76)	Sep 94				98.34	0
	Dec 94					0
Three month ECU (Previous open interest: 25276)	Sep 94	94.03	94.03	93.93	93.95	1200
	Dec 94	93.81	93.81	93.72	93.75	528
Euro Swiss Franc (Previous open interest: 47351)	Sep 94	95.71	95.71	95.65	95.67	2942
	Dec 94	95.59	95.59	95.52	95.54	3323
Italian Govmt Bond (Previous open interest: 84991)	Sep 94	103.45	103.68	102.92	103.09	36345
	Dec 94	102.08	102.08	101.80	101.89	108

LIFFE OPTIONS

Series		Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Alld Lyon	540	63	—	—	6	—	—
(*588)	589	29	—	—	23	—	—
Argyll	260	28	36	40	6	13	16
(*277)	280	16	24	30	17	23	27
ASDA	60	4	7	9	5	7	8
(*60)	70	2	4	5	13	14	15
Boots	500	51	59	68	7	15	21
(*536)	550	20	30	41	29	38	44
Br Airways	420	31	40	49	15	25	31
(*429)	460	12	22	31	39	47	53
BP	390	29	36	43	12	18	23
(*404)	420	13	22	29	28	33	38
Br Steel	140	21	25	29	3	6	8
(*156)	160	8	13	18	9	14	17
C & W	420	43	52	61	11	18	24
(*449)	460	20	31	41	30	38	44
CU	500	50	62	66	8	15	22
(*549)	550	18	32	38	31	35	48
ICI	850	38	50	70	36	46	60
(*857)	900	18	36	48	68	79	90
Kingfishr	500	31	47	58	23	29	34
(*510)	550	13	24	39	54	58	63
Land Sec	650	37	46	58	13	22	25
(*665)	700	13	21	33	41	50	52
M & S	420	23	31	39	13	20	24
(*425)	460	7	14	21	38	43	47
Nat West	460	28	39	47	21	26	37
(*471)	500	12	22	29	46	49	61
Sainsbury	420	28	36	46	19	27	31
(*424)	460	11	19	28	44	50	55
Shell	700	47	57	66	13	19	29
(*734)	750	17	31	39	38	45	55
Smkl Bch	420	24	34	41	20	28	34
(*423)	460	9	17	25	47	53	58
Storehse	220	16	21	26	8	12	16
(*229)	240	7	12	16	21	23	27
Trafalgar	80	13	15	18	3	5	6
(*88)	90	7	11	14	8	10	11
Unilever	1000	69	87	101	15	23	35
(*1045)	1050	35	56	69	34	44	58
Zeneca	750	61	75	85	15	25	37
(*795)	800	30	46	57	36	47	62
Series		**Aug**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**Aug**	**Nov**	**Feb**
Grnd Met	390	32	46	57	1	9	17
(*419)	420	6	27	35	7	22	30
Ladbroke	160	11	20	25	1	5	11
(*169)	180	1	10	16	12	21	23
Utd Bisc	330	7	23	31	3	17	22
(*336)	360	1	11	19	27	36	39

Series		Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
BAA	950	47	65	82	29	42	48
(*959)	1000	23	42	57	57	68	74
Thames W	500	36	43	51	14	23	28
(*516)	550	13	19	28	41	50	56
Series		**Aug**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**Aug**	**Nov**	**Feb**
BAT Ind	420	30	37	48	2	15	19
(*446)	460	2	18	28	27	36	41
BTR	360	28	35	43	1	9	13
(*386)	390	4	16	26	8	23	28
Br Aero	500	18	48	62	5	29	41
(*513)	550	2	27	40	38	58	69
Br Telcom	360	16	30	34	1	9	17
(*374)	390	1	14	19	18	25	34
Cadbury	420	35	44	54	1	9	13
(*452)	460	3	21	31	11	27	30
Guinness	420	30	42	51	1	8	15
(*447)	460	2	18	29	16	29	34
GEC	280	12	23	27	1	8	13
(*289)	300	1	13	17	13	19	23
Hanson	260	5	15	20	3	12	15
(*264)	280	1	7	12	17	24	27
LASMO	134	19	25	—	1	0	—
(*151)	154	2	12	—	6	13	—
Lucas	200	9	17	21	3	15	18
(*203)	220	1	9	13	19	28	31
Pilkingtn	180	17	23	27	1	6	9
(*195)	200	2	11	16	7	15	19
Prudential	300	15	24	31	2	13	17
(*311)	330	1	9	17	20	31	33
Redland	500	43	56	65	1	15	24
(*539)	550	4	26	38	16	39	49
Royal Ins	240	21	30	35	1	9	12
(*258)	260	5	18	24	6	19	22
Tesco	240	4	16	22	4	15	18
(*240)	260	1	7	13	21	27	30
Vodafone	183	11	20	23	1	7	10
(*192)	200	1	11	14	9	15	19
Williams	354	17	27	—	1	13	—
(*368)	384	2	12	—	18	29	—

FT-SE INDEX (*3150)

	3050	3100	3150	3200	3250	3300
Calls						
Aug	117	75	42	21	9	3
Sep	143	108	78	53	33	20
Oct	164	131	103	79	58	43
Nov	188	157	128	103	81	61
Dec	—	176	—	121	—	80
Puts						
Aug	12	23	40	74	113	160
Sep	38	50	71	97	129	167
Oct	59	76	98	125	155	190
Nov	72	91	111	137	166	198
Dec	—	109	—	154	—	213

Series		Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Abby Nat	390	15	26	35	17	23	31
(*393)	420	5	13	22	38	42	50
Amstrad	30	5	6	7	2	3	4
(*33)	35	3	4	5	4	6	7
Barclays	550	23	38	49	21	31	41
(*556)	600	7	18	28	57	63	72
Blue Circ	300	23	32	39	11	16	20
(*313)	330	8	18	25	28	33	37
Br Gas	280	12	16	21	10	18	21
(*280)	300	5	8	13	23	32	34
Dixons	200	16	24	29	9	14	18
(*204)	220	7	15	20	21	25	29
Forte	220	23	27	32	4	9	12
(*239)	240	11	15	22	12	19	22
Hillsdwn	160	14	18	22	5	7	9
(*167)	180	4	8	13	16	20	21
Lonrho	130	12	17	20	4	7	10
(*136)	140	6	12	15	9	12	15
Sears	110	10	13	15	3	5	6
(*116)	120	4	7	9	7	10	12
Thrn Eml	1000	65	93	107	19	35	50
(*1037)	1050	35	64	78	42	58	73
Tomkins	220	21	27	32	4	8	12
(*234)	240	9	16	21	13	17	22
TSB	200	11	17	21	8	13	17
(*205)	220	4	9	13	23	25	29
Wellcome	650	59	83	96	15	30	38
(*685)	700	31	54	68	37	55	62
Series		**Oct**	**Jan**	**Apr**	**Oct**	**Jan**	**Apr**
Glaxo	600	32	46	57	43	51	63
(*603)	650	13	28	38	78	82	96
HSBC	750	74	96	114	36	50	72
(*788)	900	47	71	89	61	75	97
Reuter	487½	32	—	—	21	—	—
(*494)	500	24	39	48	27	35	43
Series		**Aug**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**Aug**	**Nov**	**Feb**
R-Royce	180	17	24	29	1	7	11
(*195)	200	2	13	19	7	17	21
Series		**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**
Fisons	140	13	16	19	4	8	11
(*147)	160	4	6	9	16	21	23
Series		**Aug**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**Aug**	**Nov**	**Feb**
Eastrn Elc	650	42	67	80	2	21	30
(*687)	700	7	39	53	19	42	52
Series		**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Sep**	**Dec**	**Mar**
Natl Pwr	460	23	33	43	17	29	31
(*461)	500	6	16	26	44	53	54
Scot Pwr	360	24	34	39	11	16	22
(*380)	390	9	20	25	28	33	38

August 4, 1994 Tot: 23633 Call: 12421 Put: 11212 FT-SE Call: 2383 Put: 4409

*Underlying security price.

COMMODITIES

GNI REPORT: Rumours abounded of potential frost damage in Brazil over night. If there was any damage to the coffee crop at all, it will be minor judging by the reports emanating from South America so far. One problem will be in deducing whether any damage had actually been caused by the previous frosts. LCE prices ended a touch higher but traded within Wednesday's ranges.

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE

COCOA

Sep	1050-1048	Dec	1135-1129
Dec	1072-1071	Mar	1150-1149
Mar	1088-1087	May	1160-1150
May	1098-1096	Jul	1175-1165
Jul	1109-1105		
Sep	1117-1116	Volume:	6906

ROBUSTA COFFEE ($)

Sep	3645-3640	May	3530-3520
Nov	3615-3610	Jul	3500-3490
Jan	3590-3585	Sep	3500-3490
Mar	3555-3550	Volume:	3700

NO.7 PREMIUM RAW SUGAR (6.00pm)

		May	unq
Spot: 296.60		Jul	...
Oct	12.00 BID	Oct	—
Jan	unq	Jan	—
Mar	—	Volume:	7

WHITE SUGAR (FOB)

Reuters		May	315.5-14.5
Spot: 339.00		Aug	316.0-15.0
Oct	318.0-17.0	Oct	303.5-02.0
Dec	315.0-14.0	Dec	303.5-99.0
May	315.5-15.0	Volume:	724

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION

Average fatstock prices at representative markets on August 3

(p/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB	67.14	94.98	117.67
(+/-)	-0.98	+10.26	+3.83
Eng/Wales	67.14	95.19	116.63
(+/-)	-0.98	+9.61	-4.32
(%)	+19.0	+16.0	-1.0
Scotland	unq	94.16	122.95
(+/-)	—	+12.06	+2.73
(%)	—	-8.0	-19.0

LONDON MEAT FUTURES

Live Pig (/kg)

	Open	Close		Open	Close
Aug	—	—	Mar	—	—
Sep	—	...	Volume:	—	

GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

WHEAT (close £/t)

Sep	105.05
Nov	105.70
Jan	107.70
Mar	109.45
May	111.25
Volume:	428

BARLEY (close £/t)

Sep	103.50
Nov	104.35
Jan	105.95
Mar	107.55
May	109.15
Volume:	124

HI-PRO SOYA (close £/t)

Sep	unq
Nov	—
Jan	—
Mar	—
May	—
Volume:	...

POTATO

(£/t)	Open	Close
Nov	unq	150.0
Apr	190.0	197.3
May	unq	235.0
Volume:		108

RUBBER

No 1 RSS CIF (p/k)

Sep ... 80.75-81.25

ICIS-LOR (London 6.00pm): Oil prices continued to react to headlines from Nigeria where oil workers remained on strike.

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

Brent Physical	18.30	-0.25
Brent 15 day (Sep)	18.55	-0.20
Brent 15 day (Oct)	18.30	-0.15
W Texas Intermediate (Sep)	20.20	-0.10
W Texas Intermediate (Oct)	19.75	-0.15

PRODUCTS ($/MT)

Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

	Bid	Offer
Premium Gas .15	213 (+2)	216 (+2)
Gasoil EEC	156 (-6)	158 (-6)
Non EEC 1H Sep	159 (-6)	160 (-6)
Non EEC 1H Oct	161 (-5)	163 (-5)
3.5 Fuel Oil	98 (n/c)	101 (n/c)
Naphtha	172 (n/c)	173 (n/c)

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GAS OIL

Aug	155.75-56.00	Nov	165.00-65.25
Sep	159.50-59.75	Dec	167.25-67.50
Oct	unq	Jan	168.25-68.75
		Vol:	17359

BRENT (6.00pm)

Sep	18.50-18.54	Dec	17.97 SLR
Oct	18.28 SLR	Jan	17.86 SLR
Nov	18.12 SLR	Vol:	28748

UNLEADED GASOLINE

Aug	unq	Nov	unq
Sep	—	Dec	—
Oct	—	Vol:	0

BIFFEX

GNI Ltd ($10/pt)

	High	Low	Close
Aug 94	1495	1485	1493
Sep 94	1455	1450	1453
Oct 94	1455	1450	1453
Jan 95	1470	1470	1466

Vol: 226 lots. Open int'st: 2202 Index 1467 +5

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE — Rudolf Wolff

(Official) (Volume prev day)	Cash	3mth	Vol
Copper Gde A ($/tonne)	2378.0-2380.0	2386.0-2387.0	2015850
Lead ($/tonne)	574.50-575.00	592.00-592.50	240100
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)	936.00-937.00	958.00-959.00	442500
Tin ($/tonne)	4985.0-4995.0	5060.0-5070.0	28290
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1429.0-1430.0	1457.0-1457.5	997400
Nickel ($/tonne)	6085.0-6090.0	6180.0-6190.0	63258

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Exchange index compared with 1985 was same at 79.3 (day's range 79.0-79.3).

Mkt Rates for Aug 4	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
Amsterdam	2.7224-2.7329	2.7295-2.7329	⅛pr-par	½-¼pr
Brussels	49.88-50.21	50.10-50.21	2pr-2ds	5pr-par
Copenhagen	9.5220-9.5480	9.5320-9.5460	¼-¾ds	⅝-1⅞ds
Dublin	1.0110-1.0140	1.0111-1.0139	1-4ds	2-7ds
Frankfurt	2.4244-2.4354	2.4322-2.4354	⅛pr-par	⅜-⅛pr
Lisbon	247.04-248.33	247.70-248.33	126-135ds	353-394ds
Madrid	199.64-200.36	200.07-200.36	41-47ds	109-128ds
Milan	2415.60-2431.10	2427.10-2431.10	5-8ds	17-19ds
Montreal	2.1327-2.1386	2.1335-2.1365	0.03-0.14ds	0.02-0.22ds
New York	1.5390-1.5420	1.5390-1.5400	0.11-0.09pr	0.32-0.26pr
Oslo	10.5830-10.6050	10.5830-10.5990	⅝pr-par	1⅜-1¼pr
Paris	8.2820-8.3370	8.3220-8.3370	⅛-¼ds	⅜-¼ds
Stockholm	11.8690-11.8950	11.8690-11.8930	1⅝-2¼ds	4¾-5⅞ds
Tokyo	153.81-154.41	154.08-154.34	½-⅜pr	1⅜-1¼pr
Vienna	17.04-17.15	17.11-17.15	⅞-⅜pr	4-2¼pr
Zurich	2.0474-2.0578	2.0548-2.0578	¼-⅛pr	¾-⅜pr

Source: Extel Premium - pr. Discount - ds.

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina peso*	1.5366-1.5393
Australia dollar	2.0883-2.0910
Bahrain dinar	0.5750-0.5870
Brazil real*	1.3984-1.4010
Cyprus pound	0.7325-0.7425
Finland markka	7.9295-8.0455
Greece drachma	363.25-370.25
Hong Kong dollar	11.8803-11.8895
India rupee	47.89-48.85
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4545-0.4645
Malaysia ringgit	3.9496-3.9537
Mexico peso	5.16-5.26
New Zealand dollar	2.5460-2.5505
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.7170-5.8430
Singapore dollar	2.3172-2.3202
S Africa rand (fin)	6.9594-7.0102
S Africa rand (com)	5.5698-5.5782
U A E dirham	5.5980-5.7220

*Barclays Bank GTS * Lloyds Bank*

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Australia	1.3592-1.3601
Austria	11.10-11.11
Belgium (Com)	32.50-32.54
Canada	1.3855-1.3860
Denmark	6.2100-6.2150
France	5.4015-5.4035
Germany	1.5780-1.5790
Hong Kong	7.7245-7.7255
Ireland	1.5183-1.5198
Italy	1571.75-1572.75
Japan	100.00-100.10
Malaysia	2.5680-2.5690
Netherlands	1.7725-1.7730
Norway	6.8954-6.8974
Portugal	160.70-161.00
Singapore	1.5068-1.5078
Spain	129.76-129.86
Sweden	7.7115-7.7190
Switzerland	1.3310-1.3320

MONEY MARKET RATES

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 5¼ Finance Hse 5½

Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 5¼ Low 4¼ Week fixed: 4¾

Treasury Bills (Dis): Buy: 2 mth 5⅟₁₆ ; 3 mth 5⅟₁₆ . Sell: 2 mth 5⅟₁₆ ; 3 mth: 5⅟₁₆ .

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Prime Bank Bills (Dis)	5⅛-4¹⁵⁄₁₆	5⁵⁄₁₆-5⅛	5½-5⅜	5⅞-5¾	
Sterling Money Rates: Interbank	5⅜-5⅛	5⅝-5⅜	5⅝-5½	6-5¾	6⅞-6⅝
Interbank	5⅜-5⅛	5⅝-5⅜	5⅝-5½	6-5⅞	6⅞-6⅝

Overnight: open 4¾, close 5¼.

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Local Authority Deps	5⅛	n/a	5⅜	5¾	6½
Sterling CDs	5⅜-5⅛	5½-5⅜	5⅝-5½	5⅞-5¾	6⅝-6⅜
Dollar CDs	4.40-4.37	n/a	4.67-4.63	5.04-5.01	5.56-5.53
Building Society CDs	5⅜-5⅛	5⅜-5¼	5⅝-5½	5⅞-5¾	6⅞-6⅝

ECGD: Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: July 29, 1994. Agreed rates Aug 24, 1994 to Sept 25, 1994 Schemes III: 6.50%. Reference rate July 1, 1994 to July 29, 1994 Scheme IV & V: 5.246%.

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	Call
Dollar	4½-3⅞	4½-4⅜	4⅝-4½	5⅛-4⅞	4⅛-3⅞
Deutschemark	4¹⁵⁄₁₆-4¹³⁄₁₆	4¹⁵⁄₁₆-4¹³⁄₁₆	4¹⁵⁄₁₆-4¹³⁄₁₆	5-4⅞	5⅛-4⅞
French Franc	5⅝-5⅜	5⅝-5½	5¹¹⁄₁₆-5⁹⁄₁₆	5⅞-5¾	6-5
Swiss Franc	4⅛-3⅞	4⅛-4⅛	4¼-4⅛	4⅝-4½	4⅛-3⅞
Yen	2⅛-2	2⅛-2⅛	2⅛-2⅛	2⅛-2⅛	2⅛-1⅞

GOLD

Bullion: Open $377.60-378.00 Close: $378.00-378.50 High: $378.00-378.50 Low: $375.40-375.90 Krugerrand: $380.50-382.50 (£247.50-249.50)

Sovereigns: Old $88.50-90.50 (£57.25-59.25) New $88.50-90.50 (£57.25-59.25)

Platinum: $404.25 (£262.40) Silver: $5.17 (£3.355) Palladium: $150.60



Foreign of Japa

Payton's work lives on



Out with the brand snob, in with the cautious consumer, a downmarket fashion forced on Tokyo shoppers by tougher economic times

Foreign firms celebrate birth of Japan's bargain hunters

Joanna Pitman suggests recession has created the right environment for overseas producers to join the Japanese market

Not long ago, Mrs Watanabe, the wife of a 50-year-old and reasonably affluent executive in Tokyo, would not have been seen dead buying for her summer gift season anything but Europe's revered and exotic brands such as Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton, Burberry and Wedgwood, names that conjured up visions of royalty, chivalry and centuries of romance and tradition. Likewise, her 23-year-old unmarried daughter would have restricted her shoe, bag and frock buying sprees to the crisp linens and velvety buck skins of the House of Chanel or Dior.

That was during the bubble economy, when asset prices became inflated far beyond their real value and Japan became uncharacteristically incautious and profligate. Four years ago, the bubble burst and equity and real estate prices tumbled to more realistic levels. Heavy losses and, in some cases, bankruptcy, resulted for swathes of companies that had formed Japan's financial and industrial backbone.

Japan has now reached what many hope will be the lowest point of its longest and deepest recession since the Second World War. Growing numbers of businessmen and economists are of the opinion that the economy will never fully recover, never return to its heyday of the late 1980s, when annual growth streicheed to more than 6 per cent.

The structure of the marketplace is changing because consumers like the Watanabe family have radically altered their spending habits, opening up opportunities for foreign producers arriving for the first time in what is still one of the world's most attractive market places.

Tsutomu Shibata, director-general of the International Co-operation Department of the Japan Development Bank, a semi-government institution, said: "At the peak of the bubble, when people's value judgments seemed to have become rather distorted, consumers automatically bought expensive things because they were expensive and carried with them status. These were often foreign brand name items. Since then, the bubble has burst and its effects have vanished. Consumers are prepared to buy cheaper non-brand label products. The phenomenon is now firmly established and structurally the market-place has changed." Discount stores with bargains screaming from their shop fronts would have been unheard of in 1990, but they now jostle for space and are doing a brisk trade in even the most celebrated temples of Mammon, such as Tokyo's Ginza shopping district. These discount stores sell anything from men's suits to cameras and economy packs of cotton wool. The products are devoid of exclusive labels and smart packaging, but most of them are of good quality and all are cheap. The most interesting point, however, is that many of them are foreign in origin. The new popular discount stores and some established department stores are selling non-luxury items under their own label. For example, a drink that tastes very much like Coca-Cola is on sale in the Seiyu department store under the label "American Cola", an American product that retails at Y48 a can, compared with Y110 yen for Coca-Cola, according to a spokesman at Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry. Itoh Yokado, another department store chain, sells "Classic Selection Cola" for Y78 a can and Daiei is selling "Swing Cola" for just Y39 a can. Both drinks are made in America and both, in common with the other Colas, are packaged in less beautiful and, therefore, cheaper cans than those used for Coca-Cola and other Japanese soft drinks.

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"Consumers, particularly young ones, are not fussy about expensive presentation any more. They think only about the product and its price," said an international trade ministry spokesman.

Mr Shibata said: "There is no doubt that with the yen hovering around the current rate of roughly 100 to the US dollar, it is virtually impossible for foreign producers to set up new production facilities in Japan. But if they stick to a policy of importing their product and simply set up import-related facilities, there is an enormous opportunity to expand their market. As deregulation measures proceed, in theory there should be enormous chances for foreign companies."

The new-found success of foreign products is not limited to drinks, although the beer and orange juice sectors have seen some of the most marked changes. Photographic products have also benefited. Kodak, like Coca-Cola, has for years been attempting to make a mark in Japan by spending large amounts of capital to "do it the Japanese way". This has meant setting up extensive distribution networks and employing local staff to forge long-term relationships. For a company of American origin, where short-term profits are still seen as king, this has looked horribly like a sacrifice of profit margins but has been deemed as necessary in the difficult Japanese market. Now, with discount stores opening shop and department stores responding to price-conscious customers, foreign newcomers are rolling up, to Kodak's dismay, and pushing their way into the market without having to suffer the sacrifices that earlier arrivals have had to make.

Agfa, the photographic group, through its association with the Daiei department store has targeted what the international trade ministry calls "the oligopolistic price structure" in Japan for photographic film. Until a few years ago, three film-making companies — Fuji, Konica and Kodak — dominated the market, with a 99 per cent share between them in a market that snaps its way through 350 million films a year. Kodak, as the only foreign maker, was doing well, with a 30 per cent share, although its profit margins were low as a result of heavy capital investment in sales and distribution. Agfa, however, is now being supplied at half price and Daiei has targeted an annual sale of 12 million, or 3 per cent of the market, by the end of the year.

One of the chief instigators of this unfamiliar retail price war is Isao Nakauchi, the 70-year-old owner of Daiei, who has earned the nickname "the price buster" for his success in taking on Japan's brand name cartels. Mr Nakauchi caused a distribution revolution when his first branch opened 20 years ago in Kobe. Today, he is a seasoned maverick.

Kyoko Terasawa, a consumer trends and marketing analyst, said: "Until the past few years, products at Daiei were considered inferior because they were cheaper than those sold at the older and more traditional department stores.

"There was quite a lot of snobbism when people had the money during the bubble years to choose to shop in exclusive outlets. Nowadays, however, they cannot be so choosy and if Daiei provides a product that fulfils its required function without the smart label but at a low price, then consumers are inevitably going to buy it. This is new for Japan. People are lowering their own living standards and looking for lower priced products. Daiei's strategy meets the new inclinations of the consumer."

Reduced overtime work, reduced bonuses and the scant prospect of pay rises have lowered deflated consumers' spending power. Daiei's strategy of selling own-label products is paying dividends while the more august and establishment department stores such as Mitsukoshi and Wako, respectively the Harrods and Fortnum & Masons of Japan, are suffering. Those foreign exporters that have been reluctant to tackle the costly Japanese market, should perhaps now be making their move. As a director-general of the international trade ministry, noted with regret, Japan's producers are being beaten at home at their own game by foreign companies prepared to indulge in a little bit of loss leading.

TEMPUS

Takeover Inspired

TWO years after the upheavals of acquiring Dowty, Sir Christopher Lewinton finally seems to have TI Group firing on all its three main cylinders. Bundy's braking systems, John Crane's seals and Dowty's undercarriage have all established dominant positions in their respective industries, and market share gains are leveraging the benefits of a modest overall improvement in demand.

The question that must be bothering the board is, what next? There is scope for organic growth in all three divisions, particularly in the Far East where TI generates less than a tenth of its sales. Similarly, add-on acquisitions are inevitable, particularly at Crane, since the seals industry is still fragmented.

None of this, however, will consume much of TI's capital, and TI is now beginning to look extremely cash generative. Borrowings fell by £45 million in the first half, and with a few further disposals, the group could be debt-free by the end of next year. The cash flow could well accelerate as Dowty's lucrative spare parts business improves.

Unless TI has a desperate urge to become a yield stock, that suggests it has the option of looking for a fourth leg. Admittedly there is nothing in the group's existing portfolio that would provide the platform for such a move, but TI would benefit from owning a capital-intensive business to harness the cash flow from its components businesses. A big ticket machinery manufacturer may be the answer, though TI would need to find one with a dominant market share. Until then, Sir Christopher can sleep easy that he has the support of the City, since TI's shares trade on more than 20 times current-year earnings forecasts.

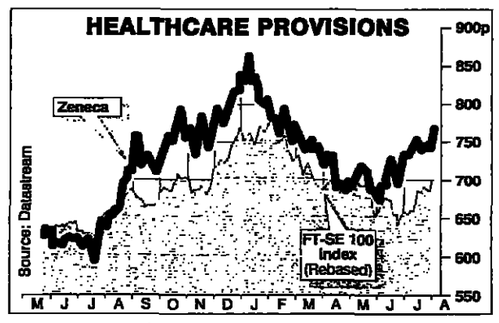
Zeneca

FOR a sector supposedly grounded in hard science and empirical research, shares in drug companies are curiously buffeted by emotion and rumour. Zeneca produced a set of respectable sales figures yesterday but surprised the market with a £100 million restructuring provision. The shares, nevertheless, rose 3 per cent, and all the buzz in the market is about bids.

If none of this makes any sense, it is scarcely surprising. Few regard Zeneca as an obvious bid target, but the offer by American Home Products for American Cyanamid has set the hare running as investors chase other supposedly undervalued stocks in the drug sector.

Zeneca is making good progress in drugs in Europe but America was flat, exhibiting a weakness in that market not shown by other drug companies.

Zeneca does not boast the extravagant margins and cash flow of a pure drugs business and has long-term problems with its cash-consuming seeds business that required the £100 million provision. With a dividend growing in low single digits, it is hard to justify a 4.8 per cent yield for Zeneca when other drug stocks are offering similar yields, but growth rates of more than 10 per cent.



Kleinwort Benson

THE rise in Kleinwort Benson's half-year profits gives the lie to the belief that the City's merchant banks were put to the sword by the plunge in the bond and equity markets earlier this year. While the bank's dealing profits inevitably slumped by almost two-thirds, Kleinwort was able to make up the shortfall by driving its corporate finance and asset management businesses.

That should be comforting for any investor in the sector, since last year Kleinwort appeared to be the most exposed to any downturn in trading conditions. The bank appears to be leaving its banana skin-littered past behind. The launch of the European privatisation trust and several North American funds this year have given the asset management arm some real forward momentum and genuine growth. Only a year ago, the whole operation looked moribund. Similarly, Kleinwort's corporate financiers have managed to attract some noteworthy business, even though there were no blockbuster deals that brought in fees of more than £2 million.

As ever, Kleinwort's performance for the full year will depend on the state of the equity markets and the acquisition-hunger of its clients. But the stock market's long hot summer can so far only augur well for the bank. Even if profits fall slightly and earnings are hit from a higher tax charge, the shares are only trading on a forward earnings multiple of 10. But SG Warburg is trading on a similar rating and looks better value at the price, regardless of its recent slanging match with Swiss Bank Corporation.

Morgan Crucible

THE City has waited impatiently for Morgan Crucible to sell Holt Lloyd. The consumer car care business was an ugly fit with the group's broad spread of industrial component businesses. Moreover, interest cover was barely five times last year and Morgan looked in need of a cash injection from somewhere. A rights issue would have been hard to justify — it would have been the third time in five years that the group had passed the cap round.

On the face of it, Morgan appears to have struck a decent price for Lloyd, thanks perhaps in part to the skills of the company's management who are now buying it out and have brought the business through the recession profitably. While an exit p/e ratio of about ten does not look demanding, the £63.5 million price tag means that Morgan can look back on its acquisition of Holt Lloyd International in 1987 as a success. Morgan paid £81.3 million, and then sold Kert for £4.6 million. It is left with LPS, the speciality chemcial business it wanted in the first place, for an effective £13.2 million. That looks cheap for a subsidiary which made £6 million last year.

Surprisingly, the reduction in Morgan's debt did not enliven its share price yesterday, even though it leaves the group better placed to capitalise on any upturn in the metals industry.

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BUSINESS LETTER

Shareholders retain voice under our nominee system

From Mr John Dodwell

Sir, On my return from holiday, I have seen the letter (July 25) from Hanson's company secretary about private shareholders and the nominee system. May I share with your readers my experience as a director of an unquoted public limited company with about 500 private shareholders?

For technical reasons not relevant to this subject, all our shares are registered in the name of two nominee companies. However, we also maintain a register of beneficial owners. Copies of the accounts are sent to the beneficial owners; the print run of our accounts is therefore 500, not just two for the nominees.

Each beneficial owner is also sent a card (similar to a proxy card) enabling them to instruct their nominee on how to vote. This is in sharp — and desirable — contrast to the usual arrangement where nominees decide whether or not to vote (and which way to vote) without seeking instructions from their principal.

I cannot think of any significant reason why our system cannot be applied more widely. As a personal holder of investments via a Pep managed on a nominee basis by my stockbrokers, I should welcome a change because, at present, I am forced to take little interest in the affairs of companies in which I have invested.

Yours faithfully,
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THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Payton's work lives on

LIFE goes on at My Kinda Town, the American theme restaurant group that owns The Chicago Rib Shack and other fun eateries. Bob Payton, who founded the group and owned the luxurious Stapleford Park country house hotel in Leicestershire, died in a car crash last month, soon after selling out of My Kinda Town to pursue new ventures. His inspiration, happy to say, lives on, with word that the group has signed a franchise deal with the Stakis hotel chain — its first with a UK hotel group — and is pressing apace with plans to expand overseas. A franchised Henry J. Bean's (But His Friends All Call Him Hank) Bar & Grill is due to open in the Stakis York hotel in November, just in time for Thanksgiving. Yet more outlets are due to open in Nicosia, and in Beirut of all places. Plans to take Henry J. Bean's to oriental shores are well advanced. Peter Webber, My Kinda Town's group managing director, expects the company's first Far Eastern outlet to open in Bangkok later this month.

CHARLES Letts, the leading diary publisher, has appointed Alan Mills as non-executive chairman. He becomes the first non-family man to hold the post in 198 years.

Scientist emerges

BARING Securities, long known for its work in emerging markets, has a new target: emerging technologies. The firm has begun offering research on the biotechnology sector — companies such as British Biotech and Proteus International — using the talents of one Andrew Clark, billed as a former Oxford neuroscientist. The curious part is that Clark was, until January, working in Japanese warrants at Smith New Court, a post he held down for three years. "It is quite a change," he concedes. "But I kept in touch with my scientific colleagues." As part of Baring's global emerging industries group, he works under Christopher Dericot, who says thsat the research will focus on microbes digesting bits of oil, and so on, but will probably skip what happens to your underpants when you wash them in ... now which one is it?



Bob Payton at Stapleford Park, his country house hotel

Political asset

WELL I never. John Pinniger, defender of financial advisers and aspirant politician, is to marry at the ripe old age of 39. And who knows where the match will lead? Pinniger, formerly with financial watchdog Fimbra, has become engaged to Naomi Delaney, 33, a public relations lady, and thinks the union may nudge him closer to that much sought-after parliamentary seat. "I think she will be a great asset both personally and politically," muses Pinniger, one-time Conservative councillor in the London borough of Lambeth and now a freelance government relations consultant. "Certain constituencies would prefer candidates to be married." The two met earlier this year.

Unhappy returns

SIR Colin Southgate, chairman of music group Thorn EMI, could well have found his loyal heart and his corporate pocket tugged in opposite directions yesterday. While hearty voices were singing *Happy Birthday To You* on the occasion of the Queen Mother's 94th birthday, Sir Colin will have mused that since 1939, the sub-publishing rights in the UK, Ireland and the Commonwealth of that universally sung ditty have belonged to Thorn EMI and his group is, therefore, entitled to collect performance fees whenever the ditty is sung. Thorn EMI holds the copyright until 1996, but graciously only charges for the use of its property at commercial performances. *Happy Birthday* was penned by the American composers Hill and Hill in 1935.

Cruising on

KVAERNER, the restless Norwegian industrial group that succeeded in what many thought impossible by turning round Govan shipyard on the Clyde, has won the ultimate tribute from the seafaring Polynesians whose boat-building and navigational skills were a match for those of the vikings. Aremiti Pacific Cruises of Tahiti has ordered a £3.7 million, 411 passenger, high-speed catamaran from Kvaerner, now Britain's biggest shipbuilder, for delivery in October. Sadly, it will not be built on the Clyde.

JON ASHWORTH

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Authorised			*Issued and fully paid*	
Amount	*Number*		*Amount*	*Number*
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AIB UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 51 Belmont Rd, Uxbridge, Middx UB8 1RZ 0895 259 783				
Grofund Amer	159.50	167.90	-0.60	0.12
Grofund Equity	237.90	251.80	+1.50	1.40
Grofund Euro	206.10	216.90r	-0.10	0.16
Grofund Expr Bal	115.50	119.70r	...	2.02
Grofund Gilt	72.90	74.75r	+0.20	5.84
Grofund Japan	200.00	210.50	...	...
AXA EQUITY & LAW UNIT TST MGRS Equity & Law Hse, Corpn St, Coventry 0203 553 231				
General Acc	529.40	562.20	-0.60	2.63
General Inc	472.30	502.50	-0.40	2.65
UK Growth Acc	356.10	378.90	-0.30	2.72
UK Growth Inc	247.30	263.00	-0.40	2.72
Higher Inc Acc	653.90	695.70	-0.90	3.85
Higher Inc Inc	396.20	410.90	-0.50	3.85
Gilts/Fxd Int Acc	190.30	190.50	-0.30	6.01
Gilts/Fxd Int Inc	89.99	95.05	-0.18	6.01
Nth America	240.90	256.30	-0.10	...
Far East	379.80	404.10	-1.00	...
Europe	278.60	296.40	-0.40	0.64
Brit Excell	70.65	75.16	-0.06	2.90
Brit Fndmtls Acc	97.47	103.70	...	4.65
Brit Fndmtls Inc	73.14	77.81	...	4.65
Global Opps	84.91	90.34	+0.12	0.07
Balanced Acc	53.53	56.95r	-0.01	2.54
Balanced Inc	52.73	56.10r	-0.01	2.54
ABBEY UNIT TST MGRS 80 Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth 0345 717 373				
High Income				
Gilts & Fixed Int	127.90	135.70	-0.40	5.90
High Inc Equity	159.90	171.00r	+0.80	4.60
Worldwide Bond	267.60	283.80r	+0.10	3.70
Capital Growth				
American Growth	287.00	306.60	-1.10	.49
Asian Pacific	337.10	358.60	-1.00	..
Assets & Earnings	260.20	276.80	-1.70	2.39
Comdty & Energy	120.00	127.70	+0.10	.56
Euro Capital Inc	135.60	145.00	+0.30	.67
General	220.10	234.10r	+1.00	2.32
Japan	139.40	148.30	-0.40	...
Mastertrust	142.80	152.70	-0.30	1.17
UK Growth Dist	127.20	136.00	-0.30	2.13
US Emerging Cos	122.90	131.40	-0.70	...
Income & Growth	381.30	405.60	+2.20	3.08
Ethical	69.47	73.90	-0.18	2.56
International	119.50	127.10	-0.20	.54
Dividend & Growth	60.15	63.99r	+0.34	4.39
Global Gwth & Sec	65.55	69.86	-0.07	2.39
ABERFORTH UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD 14 Melville St, Edinburgh EH3 7NS 031 220 0733				
UK Small Cos	£17.16	£17.41	+38.00	...
ABTRUST UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD 10 Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ 0800 833 580				
Aberdeen Portfolio	61.69	62.92r	-0.02	0.78
Amer Inc & Growth	43.06	45.44	-0.25	0.68
Cash	50.30	50.30	+0.01	4.47
European	112.30	119.00	+0.10	...
European Income	98.50	104.70	+0.50	1.42
Exempt	998.60	£10.66r	-3.20	1.64
Extra Income	51.89	55.51	+0.14	4.28
Far East Emg Ecn	116.90	126.10r	-0.40	0.50
Fixed Interest	22.73	24.26	+0.08	7.57
Fund Inv Tst	180.00	192.30	+0.10	0.87
Japan	202.90	216.10r	+1.20	...
Latin American	73.75	78.65r	-1.15	0.61
Pacific	74.51	79.79	-0.06	0.33
Property Share	69.09	73.75r	+0.03	1.63
UK Emerging Cos	64.73	69.10r	+0.13	1.79
UK Growth	44.40	47.96	-0.03	2.44
World Growth	74.84	79.88	...	0.68
Ethical	61.83	66.01	-0.01	2.65
Aberdeen Gilt Inc	49.75	49.75	-0.04	6.55
ACUMA FUND MANAGERS LTD 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex 0277 690 336				
UK Equity Income	96.46	102.62r	-0.24	3.09
UK Equity Growth	86.03	91.52	-0.30	2.26
European	71.75	76.33	...	0.88
Nth American	67.89	72.22	-0.11	1.40
Far Eastern	77.29	82.32	-0.25	0.63
Money	66.22	66.22r	+0.01	3.68
Fixed Interest	69.50	73.94r	-0.21	6.57
Index Linked Gilt	63.28	67.32r	-0.16	1.40
AEGON UNIT TRUSTS LTD 28 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 1YF 031 549 3232				
British Growth	69.36	73.78	+0.08	2.75
British Income	79.26	84.32	+0.23	3.54
Select Portfolio	88.38	94.02	-0.13	...
ALLCHURCHES INV MGMT SVS LTD 101 King's Road Brentwood CM14 4DR 0452 305 958				
Amity Income	75.20	79.79	+0.03	2.04
Income Builder Inc	67.34	71.64	+0.15	2.84
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TSTS PLC Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon SN1 1EL IFA dlg: 0793 610 366 Client dlg: 0793 514 514				
Balanced Trusts				
Growth & Income	233.40	249.50	-0.10	3.27
Capital	412.30	440.70	+0.80	1.76
Balanced	683.30	730.40	-0.50	2.73
Accumulator	£12.35	£13.20	-3.00	2.97
Income Trusts				
American Income	47.96	51.26r	+0.31	3.59
High Income	402.40	430.10	+0.30	3.59
Equity Income	225.60	241.10r	+0.20	3.55
High Yield	245.70	262.60	+0.30	3.58
Govt Securities	32.54	34.35	-0.16	5.30
International Trusts				
Amer Spec Sits	136.00	145.30	+0.60	0.41
European Growth	36.51	38.86r	-0.18	0.08
International	168.20	179.60	+0.50	0.22
Japan	242.20	258.30	-0.50	0.01
Pacific	433.00	462.80r	+1.30	0.02
Secs of America	403.50	429.30	+0.80	0.44
Wwide Asset Val	50.87	54.35	+0.19	0.18
Specialist Trusts				
Asset Value	518.50	554.30	-1.00	2.35
Conv & Gilt	44.70	47.78r	...	4.58
Smaller Cos	168.30	179.90r	+0.10	1.26
2nd Smaller Cos	160.30	171.30	+0.30	1.19
Recovery	139.80	149.40	+0.40	1.75
Met Min & Cdty	157.40	168.20	+0.30	0.83
Oseas Earnings	355.50	380.30r	+0.10	1.93
Technology	151.10	161.50	+0.80	0.01
UK Special Sits	451.80	482.90	+0.40	1.87
B & C E UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD Manor Royal, Crawley RH10 2QP 0293 526 911				
Cntrcid Oul Pens	96.54	100.30	...	1.45
Foundtn Persl Pens	61.16	63.54	...	4.00
BSI-THORNHILL UNIT TST MGRS LTD 28 St John's Sq, London EC1M 4AE 071 251 6767				
Capital	70.90	75.43r	-0.11	1.91
International	64.67	68.80r	...	0.13
BAILLIE GIFFORD & CO LTD 1 Rutland Court, Edinburgh EH3 8EY 031 222 4242				
America	277.30	299.10	+0.20	...
Bond	110.40	116.10	-0.30	7.23
Brit Smlr Cos	99.73	106.10	+0.10	0.95
Conv & Gen	65.14	69.52r	+0.46	5.39
Energy	437.80	473.70	-1.30	0.22
Europe	242.90	257.60	+0.70	0.48
Euro Smlr Cos	107.30	113.70	+0.30	0.82
Income Gwth	339.90	362.80	-0.30	4.21
Japan	356.90	379.40	-1.90	...
Pacific	113.20	120.40	...	0.70
UK Smllr Cos	51.66	54.96	+0.07	0.90
Japan Fd	825.70	847.70	+2.70	...
Mngd Fd	173.00	184.00	-0.30	2.92
BANK OF IRELAND FUND MGRS LTD 36 Queen St, London EC4R 1BN 071 489 8673				
Brit & Oseas	284.70	299.70	...	1.26
Capital Gwth	115.20	121.20	...	2.21
Wwide Opps	183.20	192.80	...	0.43
BARCLAYS UNICORN LTD 11 Broadway, Stratford E15 4BJ 081 534 5544				
Balanced Trusts				
Bust Inv Fd Inc	350.20	364.80	+2.10	2.76
European Bd Inc	90.44	93.62r	+0.51	8.17
Exempt	73.48	78.53	+0.24	4.24
Financial	70.06	74.93	+0.18	2.75
500.0	448.70	479.90	+1.50	2.29
General	270.40	289.20	+1.0	2.64
Property	248.10	265.30	...	5.54
Trustee	178.20	190.60r	-0.40	2.20
Income Trusts				
Cash Inc	100.30	100.30r	...	4.35
Extra Income	116.70	124.80	-0.60	4.0
Gilt & Fxd Int	56.71	58.61	+0.01	8.71
Income	520.20	556.40r	+3.0	4.11
Income Builder	64.02	68.10	+0.33	4.62
Intl Income	65.31	69.48r	+0.32	3.43
Growth Trusts - UK				
Capital	114.50	122.10r	+0.30	2.65
Leisure	120.60	129.20	+0.20	1.25
Recovery	412.80	441.50	+1.40	2.47
Smllr Cos Inc	41.74	44.76r	+0.06	1.74
Special Sits	276.80	296.00	+0.30	1.70
Growth Trusts - Overseas				
America	124.40	132.00	+0.20	0.53
Aust Acc	257.10	273.60	+0.60	1.97
Aust Inc	159.90	170.10	+0.30	1.97
Euro Gwth Inc	153.70	162.90	...	0.63
Japan & Gen Inc	200.60	212.40	+0.90	..
Japan Spec Sits	93.02	98.54	+0.47	...
Univ Tech Inc	80.47	85.52r	+0.19	0.35
Worldwide	177.60	188.50r	-0.30	0.61
BARING FUND MANAGERS LTD PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ 081 658 9002				
American Growth	89.21	94.84	-0.69	...
Amer Smllr Cos	115.30	124.00	-0.80	...
Cash Trust	50.00	50.00	+0.01	4.10
Convertibles	57.02	60.98r	+0.04	5.40
Eastern	299.00	312.10	+1.00	0.10
Equity Income	86.55	92.07r	-0.23	4.90
European Growth	300.80	318.90	-0.30	1.00
Europe	223.70	238.50	+0.80	0.60
German Growth	71.03	75.55	-0.32	0.10
Global Bond	62.78	66.16r	-0.31	5.70
Global Growth	125.30	134.00	-0.39	...
Japan Growth	227.20	242.30	-0.90	...
Japan Sunrise	206.00	219.20	-1.10	...
Korea Trust	78.16	86.83	-0.04	..
Portfolio	133.00	142.30	...	1.60
UK Growth	86.48	92.00r	+0.12	1.40
UK Smaller Cos	89.69	95.92	-0.02	1.50
Select Managers	74.44	79.74	-0.36	1.10
BLACKSTONE FRANKS UT MGRS LTD 26-34 Old Street, London EC1V 9HL 071 250 3300				
Intl Gwth Port Inc	80.19	85.31r	...	
Special Oppor Inc	55.37	58.90r	...	
BREWIN DOLPHIN UT MGRS LTD 5 Giltspur St, London EC1A 9DE 071 236 6441				
Special Sits	163.20	174.50r	-0.70	0.93
Dividend	80.12	85.69r	+1.08	4.10
Int Gth & Inc	209.20	223.70r	+1.60	2.72
UK & Gen	43.69	46.73	+0.08	1.44
Fund of Funds	65.85	70.43	+0.31	...
BRITANNIA LIFE UNIT MGRS LTD 50 Bothwell Street, Glasgow G2 6HR 041 223 6020				
Balanced Growth	104.75	110.85	+0.42	1.83
Smaller Cos	103.70	109.74	+0.17	1.15
Higher Yield	43.73	46.27r	-0.20	3.61
American Gth Inc	72.05	76.24r	-0.27	..
European Growth	138.05	146.08	-0.29	0.04
Global Bond Inc	27.99	28.92	+0.03	5.40
Mngd Pfolio Inc	43.04	45.53	+0.02	1.07
Int Spec Opps	119.27	126.21	+0.03	0.10
Pacific Grth	136.03	143.94	-0.50	..
Formerly LAS				
UK General	76.60	81.05r	+0.30	2.06
Japan	71.74	75.91r	+0.43	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	95.59	97.54	+0.03	6.89
BURRAGE UNIT TST MGMT LTD 117 Fenchurch St, London EC3M 5AL 071 480 7216				
Short Dated Gilt	63.92	64.74	-0.23	6.24
CIS UNIT MANAGERS LTD PO Box 105, Manchester M60 0AH 061 837 5060				
Environ	150.90	160.60r	-0.60	1.49
UK Growth	163.40	173.90r	+0.60	2.13
UK Income	131.10	139.50	+0.50	4.26
CANADA LIFE UNIT TST MGRS LTD High St, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 5BA 0707 651 122				
Can Gen Dist	185.00	196.10r	...	2.02
-do- Income Dist	106.10	112.80	...	4.44
Gilt & Fxd Int	39.00	41.34r	-0.18	6.58
CAPEL-CURE MYERS UT MGMT LTD 35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF 061 236 5685 Enq: 061 236 5685 Dlg: 061 236 5362				
American & Gen	149.70	155.00	-0.50	...
European Inc	80.55	85.43r	-0.05	0.51
Smaller Cos (4-1)	79.85	84.95	+0.37	1.69
Growth	414.80	441.30	+1.00	2.16
Income & Growth	396.00	421.30r	+0.60	3.85
Japan & Gen	82.50	87.75	+0.27	...
Master Portfolio	£103.98	£107.92r	-21.00	1.88
Special Sits	94.89	100.95r	+1.19	2.19
High Yield	£12.96	£13.37	+2.00	4.27
CAPITAL HOUSE UNIT TST MGRS Capital House, Festival Square, Edinburgh 031 228 4477 Dealing: 0800 833 561				
American Gwth Tst	35.54	38.01	-0.21	0.27
Cash Income	50.29	50.29	...	5.02
European Gwth	41.44	44.13	...	0.34
Income & Gwth Inc	27.57	29.48	+0.04	4.15
Intnl Gwth	31.83	34.04	-0.11	0.55
Japan Gwth	30.50	32.62	-0.03	...
Managed Tst Inc	49.01	52.47	-0.04	1.60
Oriental Opps Inc	146.20	156.40	+1.70	...
Property Shares	39.22	41.94	+0.07	0.32
Smaller Cos	30.46	32.57	-0.82	1.23
UK Growth Tst	25.62	27.40	-0.02	2.46
Royal Scottish Assurance				
Cap Hse Global Inc	73.04	78.11	+0.02	1.24
Cap Hse UK Inc	67.01	71.66	-0.18	2.41
Exempt (£)	28.40	29.21	...	2.33
Formerly Brown Shipley				
Financial	143.50	153.40	+0.40	1.60
Foundation	91.95	98.34	+0.32	2.29
German	51.91	55.51	+0.15	...
High Income	73.80	78.93	-0.45	5.72
Income	133.60	142.80	-1.10	3.28
Mngd Pfolio Inc	101.70	108.70	...	1.07
Mngd Pfolio Acc	194.40	207.90	...	1.07
Monthly Income	82.39	88.11	+0.29	4.01
North American	102.10	109.10	-0.50	...
Orient	157.20	168.10	+0.60	...
CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD 3 Copthall Avenue, London EC2R 7BH 071 606 0708				
Cazenove Portfolio	81.15	86.60r	-0.05	2.35
American Portfolio	86.76	92.47	-0.03	1.07
European Portfolio	97.11	103.33	-0.38	0.84
Japanese Portfolio	75.98	80.39r	+0.22	...
Pacific Portfolio	143.04	153.81	-0.45	0.78
UK Inc & Growth	73.75	79.00	+0.13	3.56
Utility & Bond	53.96	54.61	+0.05	6.15
CENTURY UNIT TRUSTS LTD 5 Old Bailey, London EC4M 7BA 071 332 5000				
UK General Tst	64.14	68.23	-0.18	3.93
CHARTERED ASSET MGMT LTD 151 Farringdon Rd, London EC1R 3AD 071 837 7667				
Intl Growth	138.14	149.89r	...	...
UK Income	108.85	119.26r	...	5.041
CITY FINANCIAL UT MGRS LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966				
Beckman Intl	76.90	81.45	...	2.05
Beck Bio-Tech	24.75	27.81	+0.41	...
Acorn Ethical Tst	154.45	162.58r	...	1.30
City Fin Assets	69.92	74.38	...	1.05
City Fin America	80.28	84.51	...	...
City Fin Intl	77.65	81.74	...	0.48
City Fin Japan	185.07	194.81	...	...
Friars Hse Cap	263.70	285.19r	...	1.49
Friars Hse Inc	194.66	207.09	...	3.93
Buckley Wrld Grth	133.60	142.13	...	0.09
Fairmnt Cap Gth	142.76	150.27	+1.83	...
-do- Inc & Gth	109.80	115.58	+1.10	1.56
Fairmount Intl	159.37	167.76	+1.75	..
City Fin Pflio Inc	57.39	61.05	+1.26	4.03
CITY OF LONDON UNIT TST MGRS LTD 10 Eastcheap, London EC3M 1AJ 0392 412 144				
Emerging Markets	55.53	58.97r	+0.44	...
CLERICAL MEDICAL UT MGRS LTD Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH 0800 373 393				
American Gwth	52.47	56.12	-0.25	...
Atlas Mngd Gwth	37.36	39.96	+0.03	0.25
Dragon Growth	72.08	77.09	+0.16	0.30
Equity High Inc	80.82	85.98	+0.07	3.83
European Gwth	51.38	54.66	-0.02	0.71
Evergreen	29.90	31.98	-0.07	..
General Equity	81.55	86.53	+0.07	2.44
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	24.13	25.38r	-0.07	8.00
Japan Growth	57.23	61.21	+0.43	...
Pedigree Gwth	50.02	53.21	-0.07	2.44
Ped Sm Cos Inc	31.33	33.33	+0.06	0.87
Retirement Inc	25.37	27.13	+0.03	5.99
Special Sits	37.76	40.38	+0.04	1.75
UK & Overseas	48.16	51.23	+0.11	0.95
COLONIAL MUTUAL UT MGRS LTD Chatham Maritime, Kent ME4 4YY 0634 898 000				
Capital	64.16	68.62r	-0.06	2.36
Income	58.12	62.15r	-0.01	3.97
COMMERCIAL UNION FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INTERNATIONAL LTD Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park, Croydon CR0 2AQ 081 686 9818				
PRESTIGE PORTFOLIO (PPT FUNDS)				
Income Funds				
Equity Inc	160.27	170.50	+0.35	5.26
Fixed & Convertible	40.70	43.30r	+0.09	6.89
Monthly Inc Plus	48.82	51.94	+0.08	8.63
Preference Share	47.16	50.17r	-0.07	7.92
Balanced Funds				
High Yield	123.90	131.81r	+0.34	6.69
Managed Fund	67.40	71.70	-0.13	2.48
UK Growth Funds				
Smaller Cos	40.18	42.74	+0.09	1.59
UK & General	77.35	82.29	-0.02	2.13
UK Growth	138.23	147.05	+0.13	2.32
International Growth Funds				
Europe Growth	198.31	210.97	-0.63	0.23
Far Eastern Grth	139.12	148.00	-0.01	...
Global Bond	80.35	85.41	-0.01	6.14
Japan Growth	137.01	145.76	+0.96	...
North Amer Grth	152.81	162.96	-0.74	...
Oriental Growth	80.45	85.59	-0.03	...
Worldwide Growth	65.35	69.52	-0.05	0.07
OTHER CU TRUSTS (NON PPT FUNDS)				
Deposit Fund	92.52	92.52	+0.01	4.28
Homemaker Fund	76.69	81.58	-0.17	1.85
Quilter Fund	129.29	137.54r	-0.02	2.49
CONFEDERATION FUNDS MGMT LTD Lytton Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 2NN 0438 744 840				
Growth Inc	57.87	61.56r	-0.14	3.00
High Income	33.46	35.99	-0.03	4.60
Japan	39.35	41.86	+0.29	...
Smaller Cos Inc	31.11	33.09	+0.07	2.40
Smaller Cos	32.62	34.70	+0.07	2.40
North American	32.30	34.36	-0.16	0.50
European	38.42	40.87	-0.04	0.60
CONSISTENT UNIT TST MGMT CO LTD 1 White Hart Yd, London Bridge SE1 1NX 071 407 5966				
Consistent UT	30.53	32.81r	-0.05	3.29
COOKE (HENRY) INV FUNDS LTD 1 King St, Manchester M60 3AH 0800 526 358				
Growth	142.60	151.80	-2.40	1.86
Income	71.01	75.55r	+0.11	5.02
European	62.39	66.38	+0.26	0.58
Recovery	142.40	151.50	+1.00	1.88
CO-OP PENSION FDS UT MGRS LTD 78-80 Cornhill, London EC3V 3NJ 071 283 9494				
Equity Dist	794.60	808.10r	...	3.80
CREDIT SUISSE INV FDS (UK) LTD 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex 0277 690 370				
Fellowship Tsr	69.90	74.36	+0.47	1.38
Income	230.90	245.60	...	4.64
Smaller Cos	147.80	157.20	+0.30	0.85
Inv Portfolio	77.36	82.29	+0.38	1.40
High Income Port	66.25	70.47	+0.11	4.75
DIMENSIONAL TST MGMT LTD 155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3XS 071 410 0177				
Euro Small Cos	£15.97	£16.35	+35.90	...
Japan Small Cos	£14.34	£14.62	+15.20	...
UK Small Cos	£17.56	£19.32	+18.10	...
US Small Cos	£15.73	£16.11	+14.30	...
DISCRETIONARY UNIT FUND MGRS 66 Wilson Street, London EC2A 2BL 071 377 8819				
Disc Inc	198.20	208.60	...	2.52
DUNEDIN UNIT TST MGRS LTD 25, Ravelston Terrace, Edinburgh 031 315 2500				
European Gwth	279.00	295.10	-0.10	1.02
New Asia	222.00	236.70	-0.40	...
Japan Growth	139.60	149.50	...	...
Jap Smllr Co	592.50	629.60	+1.80	...
Nth Amer	345.40	360.10r	+1.10	0.94
Shifrd Asia Pac Mt	123.20	129.90r	-0.40	...
UK Inc & Grth	213.60	228.20	-0.60	3.13
EAGLE STAR UNIT MGRS LTD Bath Road, Cheltenham GL53 7LQ 0242 577 555				
UK Balanced Inc	137.90	146.70	-0.30	1.82
UK High Inc Inc	149.30	158.80	+0.20	4.54
UK Pref & F I Inc	55.77	59.32	-0.86	5.38
Envrnmntl Opps	82.19	87.44	+0.45	1.07
EDINBURGH UNIT TST MGRS LTD 97 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh 0345 090 526				
American	120.10	127.60	-0.20	0.98
Convertibles	21.63	22.98	+0.03	7.18
Equity Income	125.70	133.60	...	3.74
EuroFund	46.63	49.30	+0.01	0.40
Financial	46.87	49.80	+0.18	1.61
Growth & Inc	226.60	240.80r	+0.50	3.11
High Dist	153.70	163.30	-0.10	4.59
International	404.30	429.60	+1.50	0.17
Int Cap Inc	96.43	102.90r	...	2.53
Latin American	46.71	49.63r	+1.17	...
Pacific	84.93	90.24	+0.37	...
Preference Share	22.61	24.02r	+0.02	6.87
Tokyo	253.90	269.40	-0.90	...
UK Smaller Cos	224.10	238.10	+0.30	1.65
ELY PLACE UNIT MGRS LTD 28 Ely Place, London EC1N 6RL 071 242 0242				
Ekon Trust	210.89	225.13	+2.64	1.03
ENDURANCE FUND MGMT LTD 41 Harrington Gardens, London SW7 4JU 071 373 7261				
Endurance Fd	204.90	218.00	+3.90	0.51
EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD Walton St, Aylesbury, Bucks HP21 7QN 0296 431 480				
European	81.25	85.53	-0.29	1.60
Ethical Tst	45.95	48.37	+0.18	1.18
Far Eastern	319.70	336.53r	-1.25	1.49
High Income	133.22	140.23	+0.15	4.47
Intl Growth	118.98	125.24	-0.22	1.37
North American	106.52	112.13	+0.07	1.01
Pelican	116.10	122.21	+0.18	3.04
Smaller Cos	71.48	75.24	+0.24	2.19
Special Sits	89.96	94.69	+0.45	2.39
Tst of Inv Tsts	188.24	198.15	+0.11	1.50
EVERMORE FUND MGMT LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966				
Smaller Cos Inc	211.22	220.02	-0.14	1.19
Smaller Cos Acc	366.75	382.03	-0.27	1.19
Recovery	53.86	56.10	-0.16	1.16
EXETER FUND MANAGERS LTD 23 Cathedral Yard, Exeter EX1 1HB 0392 412 144				
Balanced	107.90	114.70	-0.03	5.91
Capital Growth	84.52	90.64	+0.08	..
Fd of Inv Tsts	45.82	48.87	+0.16	0.59
High Income	47.06	50.43r	+0.10	8.78
Warrant	60.15	65.38	+0.33	...
Zero Preference	36.09	38.28	+0.05	..
FAMILY INVESTMENT MGMT LTD 16 West Street, Brighton BN1 2RE 0273 220 707				
Family Asser Tst	76.87	81.77	+0.390	2.09
Family Income Tst	48.44	48.44	+0.200	5.74
Family Trust	87.01	92.56r	...	1.05
United Charities	258.80	275.20	...	2.80
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVS LTD 130 Tonbridge Rd, Tonbridge TN11 9DZ Callfree: Private Clients: 0800 414 161 Broker Dealings: 0800 414 181				
Cash Fund				
Cash Fund	100.00	100.00	...	4.30
Stabiliser Growth Range				
Controlled Risk UK	24.17	25.55	-0.13	2.89
-do- Europe	24.09	25.45	+0.33	4.31
-do- America	22.38	23.57	-0.08	...
-do- Arc Japan	27.98	29.50	+0.11	0.05
Bond Funds				
Gilt & Fxd Int	38.06	38.32	+0.01	7.33
Intl Bond	27.97	29.05r	+0.02	4.92
Income Funds				
High Income	26.21	27.58r	-0.04	5.20
Income Plus	114.10	121.40	+0.60	3.85
Amer Eq Inc	47.53	50.35r	+0.65	1.16
European Income	44.63	47.46	-0.07	2.22
Far East Inc	64.19	68.37	...	1.78
Global Convertible	23.24	24.79	+0.14	2.61
UK Div Grth	22.70	24.14	+0.01	1.56
Equity Funds				
ASEAN	63.49	67.73	+0.38	...
American	228.10	242.00	-1.40	...
Amer Spec Sits	104.90	111.90	-0.10	...
Japan Smaller Cos	48.01	51.22	+0.16	...
European	167.30	177.90	...	...
European Opps	63.15	67.15	+0.20	...
Global Priv	24.11	25.58	+0.02	...
UK Growth	85.80	91.23	+0.06	...
Growth & Inc	144.30	153.50r	-0.60	2.80
Intl PEP	35.53	37.78	+0.05	...
Japan Spec Sits	108.70	116.00	+0.80	...
Japan	221.50	236.30r	+1.60	...
Managed Intl	275.50	294.00	+0.90	...
Moneybuilder	53.26	56.64r	+0.18	...
Recovery	46.82	49.79	+0.17	...
South E Asia	155.00	165.40	-0.30	...
Special Sits	513.10	545.60	+2.00	...
Specialist Funds				
UK Index	108.60	114.30r	-0.20	2.45
UK Reverse Index	77.10	81.72r	+0.11	3.82
Europe Index	101.30	106.70r	-0.20	4.36
-do- Reverse Index	70.19	74.03r	+0.62	7.10
America Index	97.14	102.30r	-0.40	0.17
-do- Reverse Index	91.33	96.21r	-0.62	0.30
Japan Index	140.40	147.80r	+0.50	0.14
-do- Reverse Index	90.09	94.85r	-0.03	0.81
Cash Accum Units	106.06	106.06	+0.01	4.30
FLEMING PRIVATE FUND MGMT LTD 20 Finsbury St, Lond EC2Y 9AQ 071 814 2700				
Balanced	139.20	142.60	...	1.40
Inc Pfolio	67.20	68.87	+0.43	3.78
Cap Pfolio	145.70	148.50	-0.20	0.68
General Opps	122.90	125.20	...	3.15
Growth Inc	30.83	31.52	+0.03	1.62
Private Portfolio	401.30	409.30	...	1.44
FOREIGN & COLONIAL UNIT MGT Admin. PO Box 2001, Brentwood, Essex CM13 1XR Enq: 071 454 1434 Dlg: 0277 261 010				
Hypo Foreign & Colonial				
European	115.30	121.80r	-0.40	0.47
Far Eastern	178.00	191.80	-0.20	...
High Income	21.83	23.20r	+0.06	9.83
Oseas Income	93.59	99.89	-0.32	2.96
UK Growth	111.60	119.40r	-0.10	1.38
UK Income	103.90	110.80	-0.10	4.15
US Smaller Cos	283.10	302.80	-0.20	...
FOSTER & BRAITHWAITE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London SE1 1NX 071 407 5966				
High Inc Eqty	48.74	51.85	+0.13	3.25
-do- Inv Tst Inc	78.41	83.41	+0.18	4.46
Intl Growth	70.12	74.60	...	1.21
Investment Trust	92.35	98.24	+0.25	0.14
UK Smaller Cos	78.02	83.0r	-0.03	1.29
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MGMT LTD 155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3FT 071 374 4100				
American Growth	50.71	54.18	-0.16	...
(Accum Units)	50.71	54.18	-0.16	...
Amer Smllr Cos	434.40	464.50	-1.40	...
(Accum Units)	443.80	474.60	-1.30	...
Capital Tst	314.00	334.00	+0.70	1.43
(Accum Units)	444.20	472.50	+0.90	1.43
Contl Smllr Cos	61.39	66.04	+0.34	0.47
(Accum Units)	64.55	69.45	+0.36	0.47
Convertible	130.80	139.10r	+0.20	5.13
(Accum Units)	258.10	274.50r	+0.40	5.13
Emerging Markets	80.33	85.82	+0.47	...
(Accum Units)	80.41	85.90	+0.47	...
European	121.70	129.40	+0.10	0.08
(Accum Units)	127.50	135.60	+0.10	0.08
Extra Income	324.70	345.30	+1.10	3.79
(Accum Units)	480.10	510.60	+1.60	3.79
Financial	119.20	128.10	-0.30	0.40
(Accum Units)	125.50	134.90	-0.30	0.40
Gilt Trust	61.79	63.72	-0.18	6.25
(Accum Units)	83.94	86.56	-0.24	6.25
Health Fund Inc	111.50	119.10	-0.10	...
(Accum Units)	111.50	119.10	-0.10	...
Income & Growth	192.20	204.40	+0.30	3.57
(Accum Units)	282.70	300.70	+0.50	3.57
Intl Growth	354.20	380.80	+0.70	...
(Accum Units)	393.40	422.80	+0.70	...
Japan & Gen	207.90	222.50	+0.80	...
(Accum Units)	210.00	224.70	+0.80	...
Managed Port Inc	104.20	109.60	+0.20	1.26
(Accum Units)	110.30	116.10	+0.10	1.26
Monthly Income	161.50	171.70	+0.40	3.86
Quarterly Income	53.88	57.31	+0.04	4.15
(Accum Units)	56.07	59.64	+0.03	4.15
Recovery	354.30	378.80	-0.50	...
(Accum Units)	416.80	445.70	-0.70	...
UK Growth	50.90	54.38	-0.10	2.49
(Accum Units)	52.65	56.24	-0.11	2.49
FRIENDS PROVIDENT UNIT TRUSTS Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts Dealing: 0722 411 411 Admin: 0722 411 622				
FP Equity Dist	377.32	401.40	+1.22	2.80
-do- Accum	787.38	837.64	+2.54	2.80
FP Euro Gth Dist	139.19	148.07r	+0.47	0.19
-do- Accum	144.76	154.00r	+0.48	0.19
FP Fixed Int Dist	130.04	137.55	-0.23	7.07
-do- Accum	231.98	245.38	-0.41	7.07
FP Intl Gth Dist	94.98	101.04	+0.19	0.44
-do- Accum	99.08	105.40	+0.19	0.44
FP Nth Amer Dist	181.59	192.36r	-0.39	0.95
-do- Accum	199.19	211.01r	-0.43	0.95
FP Pac Basin Dist	330.13	351.20r	+0.11	0.15
-do- Accum	336.86	358.36r	+0.10	0.15
Stewardship Dist	327.38	348.28	+1.74	2.01
-do- Accum	395.97	421.24	+2.11	2.01
Stwrdshp Inc Dist	71.26	75.81r	+0.29	3.48
-do- Accum	91.03	96.84r	+0.36	3.48
N Am Sship Dist	96.03	102.16r	-0.29	0.58
-do- Accum	101.80	108.30r	-0.32	0.56
FP Managed Portfolio Service				
Capital Gwth Acc	109.60	116.50	-0.50	0.80
Open Cap Gth Acc	112.00	119.10r	-0.40	0.09
Cap Gth Inc Inc	105.10	111.80	-0.60	1.58
Cap Gth Inc Acc	106.80	113.60r	-0.60	1.58
Opn Cp Gth Ic Ic	106.40	113.10	+0.60	1.81
Opn Cp Gth Ic Ac	108.00	114.80	+0.50	1.81
NM Unit Trusts				
American	42.87	45.67	-0.13	1.67
Australian	337.20	361.80	+1.10	0.0
Conscience	69.29	73.94	+0.07	0.44
European	204.90	217.90	-0.30	1.14
Extra Income	72.28	77.13r	+0.01	5.75
Gilt & FI	55.21	58.26r	-0.07	6.84
Gold	56.25	60.48	-0.71	0.0
Income	53.81	57.39	+0.14	3.81
Intnl	33.98	36.34	+0.05	0.48
Jap Smaller Cos	430.40	459.00	-1.30	0.0
Sing & Malaysian	260.30	279.10	-0.30	0.0
Smaller Cos	30.34	32.62	...	0.57
Special Sits	35.42	38.08	-0.16	1.77
Sterling Deposit	100.40	100.40r	+0.10	4.50
Tokyo	96.91	103.30	+0.40	0.0
UK Equity	172.90	184.40r	+0.10	2.69
US Smaller Cos	109.20	116.70	-0.10	0.0
GA UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD PO Box 237, York YO1 1LA 0345 581 106/7				
GANDA	233.80	247.20	+1.10	2.42
Cash	49.29	50.03r	+0.01	3.87
Growth Portfolio	79.49	84.26	+0.41	0.68
Income Portfolio	65.62	69.39r	+0.30	4.47
GT UNIT MANAGERS LTD Alban Gate, 14th Floor, 125 London Wall, London EC2Y 5AS 071 710 4567 Dealing: 071 626 9431				
Amer Spec Sits	157.60	168.80	-0.90	...
European	565.40	604.80	+2.10	1.19
Far East & Gen	288.90	309.00	+2.40	0.14
Germany	128.50	136.10	+0.80	...
Income Inc	152.00	162.60	+0.60	4.50
International	344.50	368.50	+0.80	...
Intl Income	80.96	85.94	-0.20	4.02
Japan & General	447.90	477.10	+2.40	...
Korean Securities	69.06	73.87	+0.23	...
Smllr Cos Div Inc	49.23	52.66r	+0.10	4.68
UK Capital (Inc)	172.10	184.10	-0.10	0.95
UK Spec Sits	90.21	96.49	-0.16	0.34
US & General	130.10	138.30	-0.60	...
Wwide Spec Sits	158.20	168.60r	-0.80	...
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS Gartmore House, 16-18 Monument St, London EC3R 8AJ 071 782 2000 Dlgs only: 0277 264 422 Investor Services: Freephone 0800 289 336				
UK Growth Funds				
British Growth	48.20	51.60r	-0.07	1.98
Cash Trust	134.07	134.07r	+0.01	4.35
Practical Inv Inc	116.72	124.83	+0.12	3.52
UK Index	145.86	148.50	-0.13	2.92
UK Smaller Cos	121.90	130.37	+0.11	1.00
Income Funds				
Preference Share	24.38	26.08r	-0.02	9.47
High Income	32.54	34.80r	-0.16	4.94
UK Equity Income	133.25	142.51r	+0.09	3.75
Global Bond	28.34	29.36r	-0.11	4.84
International Funds				
Emerging Markets	58.19	62.24	-0.01	...
Global Inc & Gth	136.26	145.02	-0.02	1.41
Gold & Intl Res	115.45	123.48	-1.62	0.19
Global Utilities	132.21	141.40r	+0.41	1.01
Overseas Funds				
American	134.14	143.49	-0.90	0.91
European	98.99	104.76	-0.08	0.73
Euro Sel Opps	140.75	149.45r	-0.04	0.19
Amer Emerging	89.10	95.29	+0.12	...
Hong Kong	151.23	161.74	-0.85	1.70
Japan	273.78	291.00r	+1.60	...
Pacific Growth	224.04	239.61	-0.50	1.17
Gartmore Pensions Strategy Funds				
Managed Equity	213.30	213.30r	+0.34	1.75
Long Term Bal	231.82	231.82r	+0.26	2.21
Med Term Bal	193.51	193.51	+0.05	2.81
UK Equity	237.29	237.29	-0.41	2.19
UK Emerging Cos	138.38	138.38	-0.15	2.12
American	225.66	225.66	-0.42	1.29
Japan	145.67	145.67	-0.06	...
European	258.97	258.97	+0.16	0.95
Index Linked Gilt	160.13	160.13	-0.44	3.33
Fixed Interest	151.07	151.07	-0.73	6.50
Amer Emergng	240.75	240.75	-0.87	...
Pacific	243.93	243.93r	+0.07	0.91
Emerging Mkts	169.45	169.45	-0.11	0.40
Index Strat Japan	166.74	166.74r	...	0.30
-do- Pacific Rim	191.26	191.26r	...	1.01
-do- Cont Europe	151.87	151.87r	...	1.51
Index Strat USA	126.88	126.88r	...	2.27
Gartmore Personal Pension Funds				
Managed Equity	100.76	107.20	+0.18	...
Med Term Bal	92.00	97.87	+0.02	...
Long Term Bal	104.38	111.04	+0.11	...
UK Equity	107.83	114.71	-1.85	...
UK Emerging Cos	64.94	69.09	+0.08	..
American	104.88	111.58	-0.20	...
Japan	70.11	74.59	-0.03	...
European	107.94	114.83	-0.07	..
Fixed Interest	76.22	81.08	-0.39	...
Index Linked Gilt	71.10	75.64	-0.21	...
Deposit	78.22	83.22	+0.01	...
Broker Unit Trusts				
Berkeley Int Grth	125.29	131.88r	+0.40	...
Berkeley Income	112.32	118.23r	+0.70	2.16
BWH Intl	139.94	147.31	+0.49	0.58
Brcliff Gth Port Inc	61.27	64.67	+0.39	1.25
-do- Inc Port Inc	56.21	59.32r	+0.37	3.40
-do- Wwide Port	53.85	56.83	+0.21	0.50
Shaw Utilities	55.16	58.22	+0.68	3.66
GLENFRIARS UNIT TST MGRS LTD 22 Suffolk St, London SW1Y 4HS 071 930 7533				
Inv Opportunities	141.80	149.90	+2.20	1.00
Higher Income	126.30	132.50	..	2.18
GLOBAL ASSET MANAGEMENT GAM Sterling Management Ltd 12 St James's Place, London SW1 071 493 9990				
& Intl Inc	550.27	585.39	...	0.56
European Inc	147.90	157.34	...	1.29
Amalgam Inc	149.63	158.39	...	...
N America Inc	305.09	324.56	...	...
Far East Inc	368.79	393.34	...	0.20
UK Divid Inc	170.45	181.33	...	0.90
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MGMT LTD Shackleton House, 4 Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 071 378 7979 Dealing: 071 407 7888				
UK Equity Inc	84.44	89.04	+1.54	4.86
UK Small Cos	46.50	49.73	+1.70	1.04
British Growth	53.36	56.28	+0.21	2.90
American Gwth	140.50	150.27	-0.23	0.37
Japan Gwth	90.55	96.83	+0.38	...
Greater China	199.93	213.83	+0.29	...
Pacific Strategy	172.64	184.65	+0.70	...
European Gwth	89.11	95.31	+0.54	0.56
Intl Growth	145.21	155.30	+0.54	0.51
US Index (£)	12.92	13.61	+0.02	3.00
FT-SE Mid 250 Ind	75.94	80.30r	+0.45	2.31
Monthly Income	38.86	41.36r	+0.25	10.00
MIS Unit Trust Dealing: 071 865 0033				
Grd UK Index (£)	10.65	11.22	+0.01	3.60
GRANVILLE UNIT TST MGMT LTD Mint Hse, 77 Mansell St, London E1 8AF 071 488 1212				
Small Cos	95.53	101.63	+1.02	1.16
Bridge Income	261.09	277.76	+4.45	3.38
GUARDIAN ROYAL EX UT MGRS LTD 36 Harbour Exchange Sq, London E14 9GE 071 538 9668				
Cash	136.00	136.00	...	3.35
European	492.20	525.80	+1.30	0.19
Gilt & Fixed	126.30	134.10	-0.20	4.93
Growth Equity	331.60	354.20	+1.80	1.84
Income Trust	125.70	134.20	+1.10	2.93
International	186.70	199.40	+0.60	...
Japan Trust	141.40	151.00r	+0.60	...
Nth American	255.10	272.50	-0.20	0.27
Pacific	569.50	608.40	-0.60	...
Guardhill	489.00	522.40	+2.00	1.90
GUINNESS FLIGHT UT MGRS LTD 5 Gainsford Street, London SE1 2NE 071 522 2129				
EMU Trust	104.03	107.96	+0.54	8.09
Global High Inc	104.00	107.58r	+0.20	7.66
Prem Fixed Int	102.99	106.92	+0.33	8.71
Eqty & Bond Inc	102.11	108.57r	+0.91	4.85
European Growth	102.18	108.66	+0.29	...
Intl PEP Trust	61.44	65.33	+0.07	...
High Income	119.50	127.06r	+1.99	3.99
Recovery	377.90	401.80	-2.90	1.47
St Vinc High Inc	130.44	132.39	+0.32	6.61
Tmp Bar Emer Co	243.00	258.40	+0.90	1.53
Tmp Br Sm Co In	357.40	363.80r	-17.20	2.00
Glob Priv Tst	95.17	101.20	+0.73	1.17
Inc Share Tst	95.62	101.67	+0.02	7.85
HALIFAX STANDARD TST MGT LTD PO Box 608, Edinburgh EH15 1EW 0800 838 868				
Global Advtg Inc	39.05	41.40r	+0.10	1.54
Income Advtg Inc	31.12	32.99	+0.10	3.74
HAMBROS UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 690 390				
Model Pfolio	202.70	215.10	+2.00	2.07
Smaller Cos	34.87	37.10	+1.10	0.81
HENDERSON TOUCHE REMNANT PO Box 2257, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4ET Enquiries: 0277 263 290 Dealing: 0277 234 772				
UK Funds				
Special Sits	287.88	308.03	+1.11	1.24
Best of British	62.99	66.95	-0.06	2.50
UK Smaller Cos	120.64	129.68r	+0.41	1.12
High Income Funds				
Income & Growth	273.40	291.17	+0.16	3.03
High Income	317.72	339.63r	+1.03	3.83
Extra Income	275.49	292.98	+0.96	5.06
Pref & Gilt	44.62	47.95r	-0.07	9.06
International				
International	274.63	293.21	-0.30	...
Global Bond	53.62	56.85	...	5.48
Family of Funds	82.16	87.68r	+0.31	0.18
Global Tech	134.88	144.25	-0.31	...
Overseas Funds				
Asian Enterprise	182.11	194.74r	+0.34	0.06
European	486.49	515.64	+1.19	0.38
European Income	83.73	88.73r	+0.05	2.40
Euro Smlr Cos	149.09	159.97	+0.78	0.06
Eur Sp Sits	70.44	74.93	+0.14	0.31
Japan Trust	243.02	258.57r	+1.11	...
Japan Special Sits	273.42	290.90	+0.85	...
Pacific Smlr Cos	264.82	281.74	-1.34	...
North American	229.99	244.59r	-0.98	0.28
American Smaller	98.30	105.08	-0.28	..
Henderson TR Pension Portfolio				
American Growth	52.18	55.31	-0.14	...
Eur Sp Sits	60.46	64.08	+0.12	...
General Growth	42.35	44.89	-0.04	...
Global Tech	52.77	55.93	-0.12	...
Income Growth	41.60	44.09	+0.02	...
Japan Growth	29.72	31.50	+0.14	...
Overseas Growth	40.12	42.52	-0.09	...
Smaller Cos	21.41	22.69	-0.09	...
Special Opps	28.33	30.02	+0.09	...
Wwide Sp Sits	50.05	53.05	-0.10	...
HILL SAMUEL UNIT TST MGRS NLA Tower Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 686 4355				
British	97.05	103.70	-0.20	1.83
Capital	172.60	184.50r	-0.20	1.62
Dollar	327.50	350.20	-1.50	...
European	241.30	257.80r	+0.70	...
Far East	337.40	360.80	-1.23	0.18
Financial	794.30	849.50	-0.90	1.37
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	25.05	26.05r	+0.06	7.95
High Yield	104.00	111.20	-0.30	4.45
Income & Growth	142.30	152.10	...	3.48
International	255.40	273.10r	+0.30	...
Japanese General	226.54	242.20	+1.30	...
Japan Tech	92.11	98.51	+0.67	...
Nat Resources	73.94	77.61	-0.09	...
Portfolio	72.57	77.61	+0.01	1.47
Security	330.10	353.00	-0.50	1.94
Smaller Cos	128.70	137.60	+0.30	0.99
Special Sits	150.20	160.60	-0.30	1.27
UK Emerging Cos	91.32	97.66	+0.60	0.36
US Smaller Cos	64.55	69.03	-0.59	...

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UK Index	136.30	145.50r	-0.20	2.94
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American Growth	455.50	486.10	-0.60	0.70
Asian	58.55	62.49	+0.20	0.15
Capital	579.10	618.00	+3.70	1.82
European Growth	117.60	124.80	+0.60	...
Global Bond	21.09	22.26r	+0.01	6.65
Hong Kong Gwth	110.00	117.40	+0.20	0.62
Income	554.40	591.70	+0.90	3.72
Intl Growth	80.97	86.20r	+0.04	0.11
Japan Growth	325.50	347.30	+2.0	...
Japan Smllr Cos	42.73	45.60	-0.36	...
Spore & Mlysn Gth	77.90	83.14	-0.19	...
Midland Unit Trusts Dealing 0742 520200 Enquiries 0742 529076				
Balanced	59.84	63.99	+0.01	2.52
(Accum Units)	62.15	66.46	+0.01	2.52
British Tst	81.93	87.63	-0.21	1.91
(Accum Units)	94.16	100.70	-0.20	1.91
Extra High Inc	67.19	71.86r	+0.19	6.28
(Accum Units)	126.40	135.10r	+0.40	6.28
Gilt & Fxd Int	53.46	55.64	-0.09	6.46
(Accum Units)	150.10	156.30	-0.20	6.46
High Yield	221.70	237.10	-1.0	5.11
(Accum Units)	541.60	579.20	-2.40	5.11
Income	287.20	307.20r	-2.10	3.26
(Accum Units)	625.10	668.50r	-4.70	3.26
Money Market UT	49.30	49.30r	...	4.05
(Accum Units)	75.94	75.94r	...	4.05
Monthly Income	84.32	90.18r	+0.25	3.57
Midland Personal Pension Unit Trust				
British	97.48	103.70r	-0.20	1.89
European Growth	113.30	120.50r	-0.60	0.02
Gilt & Fixed	81.38	86.37r	-0.13	6.42
Income	84.43	89.82r	+0.09	2.65
Japan Growth	61.55	65.49r	+0.38	...
Managed	67.14	71.43r	+0.01	2.46
Money Market	84.81	89.90r	...	4.47
North American	84.20	89.57r	+0.10	0.50
Midland FSAVCS Unit Trust				
British	88.51	94.16r	-0.22	1.88
European Growth	106.60	113.40r	+0.50	0.01
Gilt & Fixed Int	77.53	82.28r	-0.13	6.39
Income	82.94	88.23r	+0.09	2.91
Japan Growth	61.33	65.24r	+0.38	...
Managed	64.22	68.32r	+0.01	2.43
Money Market	78.36	83.07r	+0.01	4.42
North American	76.78	81.68r	+0.09	0.60
Midland Executive Pension Unit Trust				
British	88.64	94.30r	-0.23	1.86
European Growth	104.10	110.70r	+0.50	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	71.25	75.62r	-0.12	6.53
Income	82.11	87.35r	+0.08	2.93
Japan Growth	62.82	66.83r	+0.39	...
Managed	67.28	71.57r	+0.01	2.42
Money Market	73.21	77.60r	...	4.49
North American	84.99	90.41r	-0.11	0.46
INVESCO FUND MANAGERS LTD 11 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4YR 071 626 3434 Dealing: 0800 010 733				
UK Specialist Trusts				
Investment Tst	72.50	78.25	+0.15	0.35
Smaller Cos	30.49	31.64r	+0.07	0.87
Special Features	31.58	32.78	+0.04	1.61
(Accum Units)	37.92	39.36	-0.04	1.61
General Funds				
Managed Invest				
PEP Managed	72.62	75.17	+0.03	2.38
Rupert Child Tst	82.39	85.52	-0.17	2.17
UK Growth	59.42	61.67	-0.08	2.34
High Income Funds				
Cashbox (Dist)	50.01	50.01r	...	3.96
Cashbox (Acc)	58.09	58.09r	...	3.96
Extra Income	83.91	87.09r	+0.16	5.21
Gilt & Fixed Int	25.89	26.79r	-0.02	8.13
Income & Growth	40.11	41.63	+0.06	3.12
UK Income	337.80	350.60	+0.90	3.47
Overseas Growth Funds				
American Growth	49.54	51.31	-0.20	1.03
US Smaller Cos	100.80	104.60r	-1.20	...
(Accum Units)	101.90	105.70	-1.20	...
Europe Perf	160.30	166.00r	+1.00	...
(Accum Units)	165.70	171.60r	+1.00	...
Euro Smaller Cos	29.86	30.99	+0.18	...
French Growth	80.64	83.70	-0.06	..
Accum Units	86.39	89.67	-0.07	...
H Kong & China	90.96	94.41	+0.09	1.36
Intl Growth	59.23	61.48	-0.12	0.42
Accum Units	59.53	61.79	-0.11	0.42
Japan Perf	38.44	39.90	-0.17	...
Accum Units	38.44	39.90	-0.17	...
Japan Smaller Cos	50.22	52.12	-0.24	...
Glob Emg Mkts	115.00	119.30r	-0.60	...
Accum Units	115.90	120.30r	+0.80	...
SE Asia	341.20	354.10	+1.20	0.37
Overseas Income Funds				
Global Income	92.71	96.23	-0.10	1.54
Intl Bond	54.13	54.72	-0.12	5.44
JUPITER MERLIN UT MGRS LTD 197 Knightsbridge, London SW7 1RB 071 581 3020				
American Cap	128.30	136.40	+0.60	...
Income	141.59	150.62r	-0.35	3.98
UK Growth	52.16	55.49r	+0.30	0.97
International	86.80	92.43r	+0.03	0.34
Ecology	79.43	84.50	+1.38	1.27
European	116.96	124.25	+1.08	...
Far Eastern	338.60	360.20	-0.10	...
KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT TRUSTS 10 Fenchurch Street London EC3 Dealers: 0277 227 300				
Income Trusts				
Extra Income	50.92	54.17	+0.11	7.09
Gilt Yield	112.80	119.10	-0.70	7.17
Global Income	222.40	236.60r	+0.64	3.85
High Yield	139.30	148.40	+0.31	5.87
Smllr Cos Div	52.95	56.33r	-1.69	2.62
Capital Growth Trusts				
Amer Smllr Cos	89.85	95.59	-0.31	...
North American	74.41	79.16	-0.06	0.25
European Special	100.70	107.10r	+0.20	0.14
European	158.10	168.20	+0.40	0.36
General	270.10	287.30	-0.30	3.13
Japan	476.40	506.80	-1.40	...
Japanese Special	294.70	313.50	+3.70	...
Master Accum	244.60	260.20	+0.40	0.83
Pacific	367.40	390.90	+1.00	0.21
Smaller Cos	112.60	119.80	+0.10	0.53
UK Equity Growth	40.94	43.55r	+0.04	1.55
KNIGHT WILLIAMS PRTFOL MGRS 161 New Bond Street, London W1Y 9LA 071 629 1683				
Global Inc & Gth	65.12	69.29	+0.18	...
Inv Trust	71.33	75.89	+0.14	...
Cautious Inc/Gth	60.24	64.09	+0.12	0.80
High Inc Acc	55.14	58.67	+0.32	3.50
L & C UNIT TST MGMT LTD Broadwalk Hse, 5 Appold St EC2A 2DA 071 588 2800				
Income	595.00	607.10r	...	5.89
Intl & General	428.30	437.00	...	0.01
LAURENCE KEEN UNIT TRUST MGMT 1 White Hart Yard SE1 071 407 5966				
Inc & Growth Inc	55.77	59.53r	+0.20	4.43
Smaller Cos	54.99	58.19	+0.18	0.86
LAURENTIAN UNIT TST MGMT LTD Laurentian Hse, Barnwood, Gloucester GL4 7RZ Enq: 0452 371 500 Dlg: 0452 371 623				
Growth Trust	247.40	263.20	+0.30	1.87
High Income	107.30	114.10r	+0.20	4.07
International	101.80	108.30r	+0.20	0.38
Recovery Trust	65.45	69.63	+0.32	1.53
European Trust	86.09	91.59	+0.28	0.58
Japanese Trust	49.89	53.07	+0.19	...
American Trust	78.69	83.71	-0.62	...
Managed	67.89	72.22	+0.08	0.52
Cash	50.53	50.53	...	3.96
LAZARD UNIT TST MGRS LTD 21 Moorfields, London EC2P 2HT 071 374 0916				
UK Cap	354.80	360.60r	+3.60	2.50
UK Inc/Gth	379.30	385.00r	-2.80	3.36
UK Income	267.60	271.70r	+2.10	4.04
UK Sm Cos	239.50	248.60r	+1.10	1.59
Euro Gwth	128.20	129.20	-1.90	...
N Amer Gwth	76.37	77.11	-0.10	0.12
Japan Growth	73.84	74.59	+0.04	...
Money Mkt	119.72	119.72	...	2.300
LEGAL & GENERAL (UT MGRS) LTD 5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 690 395				
Equity Dist	469.20	499.20	-0.30	2.56
Equity Income	97.57	103.80r	+0.20	3.80
UK Tactical Allocn	55.50	58.93r	-0.08	2.92
European	117.90	125.40r	-0.10	0.93
Far Eastern	251.50	267.60	-0.70	...
Fixed Interest	50.71	53.95r	-0.09	7.30
Gilt	87.52	92.81	-0.32	6.63
Global Growth	81.90	87.13	-0.01	0.84
Intl Bond	52.42	55.63	-0.05	4.75
Japanese	86.38	91.8r	+0.63	...
North American	144.70	153.90r	-0.70	0.45
Pacific Growth	120.30	128.00	+0.20	...
UK Index	62.26	65.71	-0.04	3.03
UK Recovery	91.63	97.48	+0.19	1.78
UK Smaller Cos	121.10	129.10r	+0.50	1.19
US Index	57.66	60.86r	-0.18	1.79
European Index	74.84	78.99r	-0.07	1.56
Japan Index	46.26	48.82	+0.27	...
Worldwide	86.09	91.59	-0.12	1.27
LINCOLN NATIONAL 1 Olympic Way, Wembley HA9 0NB 081 902 8876 Dealing: 0800 282 621				
Growth	49.61	53.06r	+0.01	1.66
Income	59.32	63.44r	+0.13	2.65
Far East	59.87	64.03	-0.04	...
North American	83.29	89.08	-1.11	...
Global	93.76	99.75	-0.35	...
European	89.71	95.95	-0.08	0.47
Japan	124.40	132.40	+0.50	...
Intl Currency Bd	57.82	61.27	+0.05	4.10
SE Asia	118.20	126.40	-1.20	0.19
UK Cap Growth	91.67	98.04	-0.15	1.87
LLOYDS BK UNIT TST MGRS LTD PO Box 63, Chatham, Kent ME4 4YB Helpdesk: 0634 834 339 Dealing: 0634 834 313				
Balanced	343.20	365.20	+1.80	2.73
-do- Acc	770.10	819.30	+4.10	2.73
Contl Euro Gth	64.64	68.05	+0.30	0.73
-do- Acc	68.85	72.48	+0.32	0.73
Extra Inc	257.70	274.20	+1.50	3.82
-do- Acc	654.10	695.90	+3.90	3.82
German Gth	130.90	137.80	-1.10	0.11
-do- Acc	137.20	144.50	-1.10	0.11
Growth Port	544.00	578.80	-2.00	0.15
-do- Acc	548.60	583.70	+2.10	0.15
Income	488.50	519.30	+2.50	3.60
-do- Acc	£12.91	£13.74	-7.00	3.60
Income Port	512.90	545.70	+1.60	4.12
-do- Acc	534.10	568.20	+1.60	4.12
Japan Growth	119.20	126.90	+0.50	...
-do- Acc	119.60	127.30	+0.40	...
Master Trust	58.18	61.88	+0.17	1.37
-do- Acc	64.93	69.08	+0.20	1.37
N American Gen	177.10	188.50	-1.00	...
-do- Acc	204.60	217.70	-1.20	...
Nam Sm Co Rec	127.90	136.10	-0.90	...
-do- Acc	130.50	138.90	-0.90	...
Pacific Basin	272.60	290.00	+1.10	0.22
-do- Acc	289.20	307.70	+1.20	0.22
Small Cos Rec	356.90	375.70	-1.30	2.12
-do- Acc	472.60	497.50	-1.80	2.12
UK Growth	85.82	91.30r	+0.40	2.38
-do- Acc	103.10	109.70	+0.50	2.38
Worldwide Gth	325.50	346.30	+0.60	0.21
-do- Acc	480.10	510.80	+0.90	0.21
LONDON & MANCHESTER TST MGMT Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 282 673				
American	64.28	68.97r	-0.14	0.10
General	86.80	93.13	+0.37	2.20
Income	67.23	72.14	+0.24	5.10
International	66.54	71.39	+0.12	0.40
Japan	65.41	70.18r	+0.21	...
Tst of Inv Trusts	69.92	75.02	+0.05	1.50
M & G SECURITIES M & G House, Victoria Road, Chelmsford CM1 1FB Cust Svcs/Unit Dlg: 0245 390 390				
Amer & General	391.50	414.00r	...	0.71
(Accum Units)	486.00	513.90	...	0.71
Amer Recovery	452.80	478.80	-1.60	0.31
(Accum Units)	519.00	548.80	-1.90	0.31
Amer Smllr Cos	123.80	130.90r	+0.30	...
(Accum Units)	126.50	133.70	+0.30	...
Australasian	171.30	181.10	-0.30	1.44
(Accum Units)	206.40	218.20	-0.40	1.44
Capital	820.60	867.80r	+3.40	2.11
(Accum Units)	932.30	985.90	-3.80	2.11
Charifund	690.20	697.20r	+4.70	5.31
(Accum Units)	£31.31	£31.63	-21.00	5.31
Commodity	399.90	422.90r	-0.50	0.33
(Accum Units)	586.30	620.00	-0.80	0.33
Compound Grth	934.30	988.00	+4.40	2.56
(Accum Units)	966.90	£10.22	+4.50	2.56
Dividend	40.00	42.30	+0.20	4.18
(Accum Units)	164.30	173.80	+0.90	4.18
Equity Income	348.40	368.40r	+2.00	4.69
(Accum Units)	443.40	468.80	+2.50	4.69
Euro & General	526.30	556.60r	+3.20	0.80
(Accum Units)	664.40	702.70	+4.00	0.80
Euro Dividend	72.60	76.80r	-0.30	3.33
(Accum Units)	86.50	91.60	-0.40	3.31
Extra Yield	418.70	442.80	-2.90	4.49
(Accum Units)	£12.70	£13.43	-8.80	4.49
Far Eastern	380.10	402.00	+0.20	0.34
(Accum Units)	502.20	531.10	+0.20	0.34
Fund of Inv Tsts	615.50	650.90	+1.30	1.64
(Accum Units)	£11.41	£12.06	-2.50	1.64
General	60.30	63.80r	-0.20	3.65
(Accum Units)	166.40	175.90	+0.50	3.65
Gilt Income	59.08	59.17r	-0.20	7.32
(Accum Units)	159.27	159.48	-0.55	7.32
Gold	68.70	72.60r	...	0.74
(Accum Units)	81.10	85.70	-0.10	0.74
High Income	28.50	30.10	+0.20	4.43
(Accum Units)	112.00	118.50	+0.70	4.43
Intl Growth	80.10	84.70r	-0.50	0.81
(Accum Units)	139.60	147.50	-0.80	0.81
International Inc	102.80	108.70	...	4.25
(Accum Units)	148.60	157.10	...	4.25
Japan & Gen	54.70	57.80	+0.20	...
(Accum Units)	58.70	62.00	+0.20	...
Japan Smllr Cos	198.10	209.50	+0.70	...
(Accum Units)	199.40	210.90	-0.60	...
Managed Income	27.70	29.10r	-0.10	3.88
Midland	65.30	69.10	-0.30	2.49
(Accum Units)	214.90	227.40	-1.10	2.49
Pension Ex	937.40	960.90	+4.50	3.95
Recovery	42.20	44.60r	+0.30	2.27
(Accum Units)	68.60	72.50	+0.40	2.27
Second General	70.60	74.70r	+0.40	3.35
(Accum Units)	180.20	190.60	+1.00	3.35
Smaller Cos	68.20	72.10r	+0.20	2.82
(Accum Units)	133.90	141.70	+0.40	2.82
Treasury	24.98	25.04r	-0.01	4.75
Trustee	42.00	44.40	+0.30	4.14
(Accum Units)	165.70	175.10	+0.80	4.14
MGM UNIT MANAGERS LTD MGM House, Heene Rd, Worthing Dealing: 0277 261 010 Enq: 0903 204 631				
European Growth	84.05	89.41	-0.18	0.58
High Income	284.80	302.90	-1.10	4.44
Intl Bond	62.72	65.96	+0.24	5.99
Intl Equity Growth	72.47	77.09	-0.04	0.35
N Amer Growth	94.04	100.04	-0.30	0.87
Special Sits Growth	21.64	23.02	+0.12	1.68
UK Growth	371.60	395.30	+1.50	2.61
MW INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD 46 Court St, Haddington, E Lothian 062 082 5867				
John Investors	£12.71	£12.94	...	2.30
MALDON UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD c/o Baillie Gifford 1 Rutland Ct EH3 8EY 031 222 4242				
Maldon General	135.20	139.30	...	4.35
MANULIFE MANAGEMENT LTD St George's Way, Stevenage Dealings 0438 747 414				
Growth Units	192.00	205.40	+1.00	2.29
Gilt & Fxd Int	169.30	178.30	+0.10	6.80
Intl Growth	216.70	230.30	...	0.20
North American	173.70	187.40r	-0.40	0.41
Far East	282.80	302.50r	-0.40	0.83
UK Smaller Cos	168.30	180.00	-0.60	1.71
European	84.66	90.04r	+0.31	0.22
Japanese Growth	54.33	57.72	+0.02	...
High Income	186.70	199.70	+1.00	4.37
MARKS & SPENCER UNIT TRUST LTD PO Box 490, Chester X CH99 9QG 0244 680 866				
M & S Inv Pfolio	149.80	159.40r	-0.06	2.10
-do- Accum	170.60	181.50r	-0.06	2.10
UK Sel Pflio	127.80	135.90	+0.07	2.34
-do- Accum	146.90	156.20	+0.07	2.34
MARLBOROUGH FUND MGRS LTD 57 Victoria Square, Bolton BL1 1LA 0204 364 842				
Managed Tst	65.40	69.57	+0.45	3.91
MARTIN CURRIE UNIT TRUSTS LTD Saltire Ct, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh 031 479 4646				
Intl Income	73.32	77.83	+0.27	4.13
European	84.24	89.43	-0.52	0.39
Income & Growth	72.74	77.22r	+0.37	3.02
Nth American	57.94	61.51	-0.42	0.35
Far East	182.50	193.70	+0.40	...
Japan	64.72	68.70	-0.10	...
Emrging Mkts	115.40	123.40	+1.0	...
Intl Growth	113.80	120.80	+0.30	0.27
UK Growth	87.99	93.41	-1.99	0.79
UK Smlr Co	46.08	48.92	+0.08	0.54
Asian Opps Fd	42.02	44.94	+0.04	0.15
MAYFLOWER MANAGEMENT CO LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966				
Income	411.67	437.95	-0.31	3.89
Global Inc	66.55	70.80	+0.07	2.57
Brit Leaders	337.16	358.68	-0.10	2.83
Intl Leaders	200.50	213.30	-0.32	0.91
PAM Mg Bal Grth	64.13	66.63	+0.30	0.68
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD 33 King William St EC4R 9AS Dealing: 071 280 2860				
American	195.90	208.20	-1.20	...
(Accum Units)	209.40	222.60	-1.20	...
American Opps	87.54	93.38	-0.29	..
(Accum Units)	88.64	94.55	-0.29	...
British Blue Chip	79.35	84.46	+0.17	2.98
(Accum Units)	96.05	102.20	+0.20	2.98
Cash	100.20	100.20r	...	4.85
(Accum Units)*	135.20	135.20r	+0.10	4.85
Emerging Mkts	124.10	133.40	+1.20	...
European Growth	252.80	267.60r	+0.90	0.60
(Accum Units)	272.80	288.80r	+1.00	0.60
European Income	84.71	89.57r	-0.47	2.72
(Accum Units)	112.80	119.20r	+0.50	2.72
General	506.00	539.70	+1.50	2.24
(Accum Units)	979.70	1045	+3.00	2.24
Global Bond	122.70	128.90	-0.10	6.18
(Accum Units)	144.40	151.70	-0.10	6.18
Gold & General	204.50	219.90r	+1.00	0.43
(Accum Units)	209.80	225.60r	+0.90	0.43
Govt Securities	88.94	91.72r	-0.03	7.75
(Accum Units)	169.00	174.20	+0.10	7.75
Income	149.90	159.60	+1.00	4.35
(Accum Units)	230.60	245.40	+1.30	4.35
International	466.50	496.50	+1.10	0.56
(Accum Units)	622.20	662.20	+1.40	0.56
Japan	218.60	231.70	+1.60	...
(Accum Units)	224.40	237.90	+1.60	...
New Europe	184.70	197.00	+0.80	1.35
(Accum Units)	184.70	197.00	+0.80	1.35
Pacific	128.20	136.70r	+1.00	0.61
(Accum Units)	137.20	146.30r	+0.90	0.61
Recovery	314.30	335.30	+2.00	2.68
(Accum Units)	399.60	426.20	+2.50	2.68
UK Smaller Cos	58.97	62.90	+1.62	1.73
(Accum Units)	66.29	70.71	+1.82	1.73
Portfolio	81.05	86.22	-0.21	2.63
(Accum Units)	94.28	100.30	-0.30	2.63
METROPOLITAN UT MGRS LTD 3 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar EN6 1AJ 0707 662 233				
Eurogrowth Plus	117.33	124.82	+0.43	0.86
Portfolio	68.25	72.61	+0.02	0.07
UK Income Inc	76.53	81.42	+0.37	4.60
MILLENNIUM FUND MGMT LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966				
International (US$)	11.64	12.38	...	...
MORGAN GRENFELL INVEST FDS LTD 20 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 1UT Dealers: 071 826 0826 Enquiries: 071 826 0123				
American Growth	305.90	325.10	-0.80	...
European Gth Inc	412.90	440.90	+2.00	0.28
Intl Gwth	198.60	211.90	+0.30	...
UK Equity Inc	178.20	190.20	+0.80	2.98
UK Ind Trckr Inc	156.60	167.70r	+0.80	2.66
US Eq Ind Trk Inc	191.80	203.20	-0.40	1.40
Japan Tracker	84.79	89.80	+0.40	...
Asian Trader	219.20	236.60	+0.10	0.25
Managed Inc	152.50	164.00	+0.20	1.52
Deposit Inc	99.17	99.17r	+0.01	4.06
Europa	184.90	198.60r	+1.50	0.26
Genesis	151.90	166.00	+0.50	2.29
High Income	21.99	23.33	...	10.00
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UT MGMT 7 West Nile St, Glasgow G1 2PX 0345 090 933				
Acumen	94.92	97.20	+0.16	2.18
Acumen Inc	90.84	93.02	+0.17	2.18
Acumen Reserve	80.67	81.48r	+0.25	7.29
-do- Inc	71.48	72.19r	+0.21	7.29
America Growth	166.80	171.70r	-0.30	0.78
Cash Income	49.51	49.51r	...	4.34
Equity Income	96.25	98.76	+0.26	4.31
European	75.12	76.67	-0.09	0.33
Smaller Cos	77.15	80.72	+0.26	1.07
Olympiad	69.92	71.68r	+0.04	...
Global Bond	44.43	44.90r	+0.18	7.06
UK Growth	92.07	94.67	+0.12	1.75
Pacific Growth	111.80	115.20r	+0.20	...
Japan Growth	106.90	108.60r	+0.30	...
NFU MUTUAL UNIT MGRS LTD 5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010				
Avon Equity	119.05	126.65r	-0.06	2.84
For NM Funds see Friends Provident				
N&P UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 35 Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF 061 237 5322				
UK Growth	72.37	76.99r	-0.18	2.17
UK Income	107.60	114.50	+0.10	3.75
Gilt & Fixed Int	69.55	73.60	+0.05	6.16
Higher Income	218.80	232.80r	+0.50	4.65
Smaller Cos	78.87	83.91	-3.06	1.88
International	96.86	103.05	-1.42	1.77
NATIONAL PROV INV MGRS LTD 48 Gracechurch St EC3P 3HH 071 623 4200				
American Dist	103.80	111.00	-0.60	...
European Dist	113.60	121.50	-0.30	...
Far East Dist	200.60	214.50r	+1.20	...
Global Care Dist	67.24	71.91	+0.19	2.08
Oseas Dist	£10.71	£11.46	+2.20	...
UK Dist	340.10	363.70	-0.20	2.71
UK Extra Inc Dist	75.89	81.17r	-0.10	4.12
Wwide Dist	109.00	116.50	+0.10	...
Wwide Inc Dist	71.04	75.98	+0.15	2.16
NATIONAL WESTMINSTER UT MGRS 5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Dlg: 0277 690 280 Admin Enq: 0277 690 398				
Europe Inc	65.27	68.89	+0.15	0.46
Fund of Funds Inc	58.84	62.10r	+0.10	0.84
North America Inc	47.23	49.85	-0.30	0.52
UK Equity Gth Inc	59.04	62.31	+0.06	2.01
UK General Inc	57.51	60.70	+0.02	2.47
UK Gilt/Fix Int Inc	46.11	48.55r	-0.09	7.23
UK Income Inc	57.47	60.65r	-0.05	2.97
NEWTON FUND MGRS LTD 71 Queen Victoria St, London EC4V 4DR Dealer: 0500 440 000 Private client: 0500 550 000 Broker: 0500 666 000 Price enquiry freephone 0500 33 00 00				
Income	225.66	240.07r	+0.46	3.73
Global	346.95	369.10	+3.06	1.03
General	189.05	201.12r	+0.37	2.16
Bond	118.71	126.04	-0.33	7.09
Growth	124.23	132.17	...	2.62
Intrepid	118.65	123.60	...	1.70
Bridge Fund	86.67	92.21	...	...
Distributor	91.00	96.81	-0.02	3.92
NORWICH UNION TST MANAGERS PO Box 124, Surrey Street, Norwich 0603 682 234				
Master Trust	124.21	132.13	+0.13	1.77
UK Equity	139.31	148.20	-0.19	2.84
UK Equity Income	131.88	140.30	+0.13	3.32
UK Smaller Cos	117.92	125.45r	+0.13	1.59
UK Equity Growth	128.63	136.84	+0.11	2.14
UK Index Trckg	139.71	148.63	+0.26	3.40
Intl Index Trckg	147.32	156.72	-0.15	1.03
International	239.87	255.18	+0.60	0.36
European	198.65	211.33r	+0.15	0.19
Pan European	134.29	142.86	-0.12	1.25
Nth American	158.64	168.77	+0.54	0.63
N Amer Smllr Cos	175.36	186.77r	-0.46	...
Japanese	109.26	116.23r	+0.77	...
Pacific	251.57	267.63	+0.51	0.04
South East Asian	271.26	288.95	+0.06	0.22
Intl Bond	128.17	136.27r	-0.11	4.96
Gilt & Convertible	101.73	108.15r	-0.33	6.58
Property	87.07	92.63	-0.07	5.00
PEARL UNIT TRUSTS LTD Pearl Centre, Lynch Wd, Peterborough PE2 6FY Dlg: 0800 626 577 Enq: 0733 470 470				
Equity	238.60	253.80	+0.80	2.39
Growth	153.70	161.70	+0.50	2.49
Income	239.90	255.20	+0.90	3.55
Intl Equity	258.89	275.30	+0.90	0.70
UK Income	65.71	69.90r	+0.23	3.21
UK Intl 25	79.47	84.53	+0.19	1.79
New Europe	82.72	88.00	+0.47	0.10
PERPETUAL UNIT TST MGMT 48 Hart Street, Henley on Thames 0491 417 000				
Intl Gwth	614.14	656.84	+1.66	0.45
Income	329.89	352.83	+0.57	3.39
Wwide Recovery	389.85	416.96	+0.73	0.23
Amer Growth Inc	213.62	228.48	+0.05	0.01
Intl Emerging Cos	250.78	268.22	+0.45	0.13
Far Estn Grth Inc	308.34	329.78	+1.44	0.14
Euro Gwth Inc	146.38	156.56	+1.05	0.66
UK Growth Inc	83.99	89.83	+0.13	2.74
High Income	90.75	97.06r	+0.24	4.31
Jap Gwth Inc	262.07	279.01	+0.68	0.01
PEP Growth	120.62	129.01	+0.19	0.81
Asian Slr Mkts Inc	132.34	141.55	+0.76	0.01
Amer Smlr Co Inc	122.87	131.42	-1.02	0.01
Global Bond	55.55	58.55	+0.03	5.73
UK Smaller Cos Inc	77.30	82.68r	-1.21	1.20
PILGRIM UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD 39 Pilgrim Street, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 6RQ 091 281 3027				
American	98.42	104.70	+0.64	...
European	72.14	76.74	+0.39	...
Global	68.16	72.51	+0.34	...
Pacific	68.76	73.15	+0.08	...
UK Inc & Grth	64.53	68.65	+0.35	2.02
POINTON YORK UT MGRS The Crescent, King St, Leicester LE1 6RX 0533 550 540				
BRI Director Digs	99.47	105.94	-0.32	0.35
PORTFOLIO FUND MGMT LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London SE1 1NX 071 407 5966				
Portfolio	158.25	166.58r	...	0.64
PREMIUM LIFE UNIT TST MGRS LTD 37 Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458 721				
Monthly Income	57.85	61.32	-0.05	2.46
Growth Income	62.95	66.75	+0.05	1.78
PRINCIPAL UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD 16 South Park, Sevenoaks TN13 1AN 0732 740 700				
Principal Tst	128.58	137.86r	-0.01	1.73
PROLIFIC UNIT TST MGRS LTD Walbrook Hse, 23 Walbrook EC4N 8LD Enquiries: 071 280 3700 Dealing: 0800 262 443				
American Income	92.81	98.74r	-0.01	3.44
Conv & Gilt	117.30	124.80	+0.50	5.85
European Income	77.81	82.77	...	2.67
Extra Income	152.70	162.50r	+0.30	3.78
Far East	428.90	456.30	+0.50	0.25
Global Income	26.22	27.89r	+0.06	4.39
High Income	117.50	125.00	+0.30	3.38
International	216.40	230.20	+0.90	0.51
Pref & Fxd Int	42.23	44.92r	+0.03	7.38
Recovery	76.55	81.43	+0.16	2.35
Special Sits	105.50	112.20	+0.20	1.28
Technology	300.00	319.10	-2.30	...
UK Blue Chip	69.67	74.12	+0.30	2.79
PROSPERITY UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD 1 Sessions Hse Sq, Maidstone ME14 1XX 0622 674 751				
General	52.47	55.82	+0.03	2.17
International	93.72	99.70	+0.08	0.36
Gilt	24.41	25.16r	-0.11	6.50
Income & Gwth	70.76	75.28r	+0.11	5.31
European	54.82	58.32	-0.12	0.40
American	51.97	55.29r	-0.20	...
Emerging Mkts	90.20	95.96r	+0.27	0.05
UK Smaller Cos	31.24	33.23	+0.14	2.11
Gilt/Fixed Interest	25.12	26.94	+0.02	6.76
Global PEP	41.01	43.63	+0.07	1.12
PROVIDENCE CAPITOL FD MGRS LTD 2 Bartley Way, Hook, Hants RG27 9XA 0256 768 888				
European Inc	276.50	297.60	+1.50	0.75
Japan Inc	122.90	131.20	+0.40	...
Nth American Inc	105.00	113.40r	-0.30	0.12
Worldwide Inc	171.00	183.90	+0.50	0.69
Hong Kong Inc	151.10	162.40r	+0.80	0.20
Swiss Equities Inc	66.79	71.70	-0.03	0.36
Wwide Bond Inc	60.14	61.62	+0.12	5.47
Emrging Asia Inc	214.90	233.50	...	0.42
UK Money Mkt Inc	50.02	50.02r	+0.01	4.93
Thailand Inc	166.10	177.90	+0.20	0.74
Gold Trust Inc	78.35	84.55r	-0.38	0.15
New Zealand Inc	88.40	95.02	+0.33	1.14
Int Mngd PEP Inc	66.67	71.88	+0.05	1.68
Latin Am Cmp Inc	87.34	94.15	+1.42	0.03
UK All Sh Mirr Inc	57.77	62.01	-0.02	2.17
Broker Unit Trusts				
Global Trustees	81.28	86.93	+0.25	1.46
Global Portfolio	73.25	78.34	+0.09	...
Global Opps	74.78	79.98	-0.05	0.43
Marsh Global Grth	70.91	75.20	+0.19	1.82
AAM Global Equity	57.02	60.66	+0.31	0.76
CAM Brit Gwth Inc	87.84	94.27	-0.32	0.94
CAM Int Recvy Inc	44.67	46.90	...	1.04
Temple Equity Inc	45.74	49.85r	...	2.88
Hartley Growth	75.91	80.76	-0.09	0.57
Intl Growth Inc	84.63	90.51	-0.06	1.45
IPS Portfolio Inc	88.41	94.56	+0.44	0.22
St Jms Mn Inc Inc	46.09	48.42	-0.01	2.66
Premier Perfmn Inc	67.87	72.59r	+0.15	0.92
Roxburgh Strat Gth	73.96	79.10	+0.16	0.34
Tech Analysis	103.20	109.80	-0.20	0.31
Rosebery Growth	46.14	49.98	-0.37	...
International Strat	78.79	84.27	+0.25	...
UFC Ind-Acr Grth	55.70	59.78	+0.15	...
Coverdale Topout	52.38	56.57	+0.23	..
Prem Equity Inc	108.70	114.40	...	...
Lowes Intl Growth	48.25	50.79r	+0.21	1.13
PROVIDENT MUTUAL UT MGRS LTD 25-31 Moorgate, London EC2R 6BA 071 588 3903				
Equity Gth	171.10	182.00	+1.10	1.35
European Gth	101.20	107.20	+0.70	0.15
Income & Gth	134.60	143.20	+0.50	2.81
Japan Gth	135.10	143.10	+0.40	...
Nth Amer Gth	113.80	121.10	-0.10	0.16
Overseas Gth	92.19	97.95	+0.18	...
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUSTS LTD 51-59 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL 081 478 3377 Client Enq: 071 911 4490 Intermed dlg: 071 911 4314 Pricebank: 0426 925 091				
Managed Tst	37.44	40.04	+0.10	1.48
Cash Haven Inc	101.51	102.01	+0.01	3.80
Cash Haven Acc	109.48	110.01	+0.01	3.80
Dist Trust Inc	94.91	101.50r	+0.05	4.31
Dist Trust Acc	95.90	102.56r	+0.08	4.31
Global Growth	89.20	95.40r	+0.13	1.15
Equity Inc	81.95	87.64	+0.22	3.61
Equity	713.33	762.91	-0.14	2.75
European	216.50	231.55	-0.29	0.72
High Income	87.35	93.42r	+0.23	4.88
Intl Grth	184.17	196.97r	+0.26	0.83
Intl Sm Co	80.47	86.06	+0.12	0.38
Japanese	243.26	260.17	+2.13	...
Nth Amer	160.38	171.22	-0.95	1.77
Pacific Mkts	106.76	114.18r	-0.20	0.73
Premier Inc	46.94	48.86r	...	4.76
Sm Cos	88.72	94.88	+0.11	1.47
Spec Sits	107.27	114.72r	+0.05	2.41
UK Growth	120.07	128.41	...	2.53
RELIANCE UNIT MGRS LTD Reliance House, Tunbridge Wells, Kent 0892 510 033				
British Life	304.90	323.40	+1.40	3.15
ROCK ASSET MGMT (UNIT TRUST) LTD Bulman House, Regent Centre, Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne NE3 3NG 091 285 2585				
Managed	96.70	102.60	...	2.06
ROTHSCHILD FUND MANAGEMENT St Swithin's Lane, London EC4 Dealers: 071 280 5000				
FA America (Inc)	498.02	530.19r	-1.61	0.51
FA America (Acc)	583.48	621.17	-1.89	0.51
FA UK Equity Inc	155.85	166.21	+0.86	3.46
FA Japan	297.80	317.18	+1.28	...
FA Major UK Cos	94.05	99.80	...	2.34
FA Smllr UK Cos	299.34	319.34	-0.48	0.90
FA European	326.91	345.40	+1.55	0.46
FA Amer Smllr Cos	43.13	46.30	-0.05	...
FA Asia	51.18	54.89	+0.10	...
FA Jap Smllr Cos	61.76	66.07	+0.24	...
RAM Personal Pension				
UK Major Cos	95.71	98.62	+0.44	...
UK Smllr Cos	83.75	88.15	+0.14	...
UK Income	91.59	96.40	+0.49	...
America	100.06	105.32	-0.51	...
Japanese	65.41	68.85	+0.28	...
European	103.89	109.35	+0.55	...
Gilt	83.77	88.18	+0.02	...
Deposit	81.20	85.47	+0.01	...
Managed	98.25	103.41	+0.34	...
RAM ESAVC Scheme				
UK Major Cos	91.32	96.12	+0.43	...
UK Smaller Cos	81.92	86.22	+0.12	...
UK Income	89.44	94.14	+0.48	...
America	97.51	102.63	-0.31	...
Japanese	63.78	67.13	+0.27	...
European	101.31	106.63	+0.47	...
Gilt	82.84	87.19	+0.03	...
Deposit	77.45	81.52	+0.01	...
Managed	92.99	97.88	+0.15	...
ROYAL LIFE FD MGMT LTD PO Box 34, Peterborough PE2 0UE Prices: 0733 282 828 Gen Enq: 0733 390 000 Dealing: 0733 395 000				
United States	73.97	79.00	+0.06	0.11
Pacific Basin	88.90	95.39	+0.21	...
High Inc Eqty	127.30	136.10	+0.30	4.90
Ryl Life Int Cnsry	59.15	62.88	+0.14	3.77
Ryl Life Intl Gwth	70.43	75.16r	+0.11	0.32
Ryl Life Intl Spec	66.47	70.70	+0.05	...
UK Emerging Cos	124.00	134.00	+0.40	1.15
UK Index Trckg	162.80	173.50	+3.70	3.18
European	132.70	142.30	+0.70	0.27
Managed	147.10	158.20	+0.50	0.80
ROYAL LONDON UNIT TST MGRS LTD Royal Ldn Hse, Colchester CO1 1RA 0206 764 400				
American Growth	142.80	151.20r	-0.10	0.33
European Growth	115.50	122.20	+0.30	0.63
Far East Growth	136.90	145.70r	-0.70	0.24
Japan Growth	156.00	165.90	+0.20	...
Special Sits	191.20	203.40	+0.30	1.30
UK Growth	76.09	80.94	+0.24	2.24
Triton General	244.40	260.00	+0.20	0.61
ST JAMES'S PLACE UT GROUP LTD 150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NS 041 307 6580				
Far East Inc	181.30	191.80	+0.60	0.23
Gtr Euro Prog Inc	348.70	368.80	-1.10	0.30
Growth Inc	134.50	142.30	-0.90	0.33
International Inc	343.90	363.90	-1.90	0.11
Nth Am & Intl Inc	313.30	331.50	-2.50	0.06
UK Gen Prog Inc	213.20	225.60	-0.40	1.23
UK High Inc Inc	133.30	141.10	+0.10	3.88
SANWA INTL INVEST SERVICES LTD City Place Hse, 55 Basinghall St EC2V 5DJ 071 330 0572				
American Gwth	63.92	68.00	...	...
Amer Smllr Cos	78.43	83.43	-0.18	...
Asian Gwth	118.47	126.03	+0.34	0.75
European Gwth	71.19	75.73	+0.07	1.00
Global Bd	58.82	62.16	+0.10	5.00
Global Eq	68.85	72.24	+0.03	0.50
Japanese Eq	64.13	68.21	+0.43	...
Japan Sm Cos	75.49	80.30	+0.21	...
UK Gen	53.39	56.79	-0.04	2.80
UK Gwth	58.23	61.94	...	1.75
SAVE & PROSPER GROUP 16-22 Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 0708 766 966				
Amer Inc & Gwth	67.77	72.10	-0.21	4.16
Amer Smllr Cos	102.60	109.10	...	...
Asian Smaller Cos	51.31	54.58	+0.10	...
Capital Portfolio	128.20	136.40	+0.40	2.24
Capital	166.80	177.40	+0.30	0.40
Cash	123.80	123.80	...	4.45
China Dragon	66.35	70.58	+0.07	0.35
Commodity	136.00	144.70	+0.30	0.50
Eastern Discovery	112.10	119.30	+0.30	...
Energy Inds	132.90	141.40	...	0.35
European Gwth	197.70	210.30	+1.30	0.03
Euro Inc & Gwth	79.70	84.88r	+0.57	1.91
Euro Smllr Cos	54.56	58.04	+0.73	...
Financial Secs	195.70	208.20	+0.30	0.58
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	48.78	51.48	+0.26	8.80
Gold & Exploration	85.66	91.13	+0.02	...
High Return	226.40	240.80r	+0.60	4.16
High Yield	226.70	241.20	+0.90	3.66
Income	118.80	126.40r	+0.40	4.20
Intl Bond	163.30	172.70	+0.40	5.45
ITU	210.80	224.30	+1.10	0.69
Japan Growth	198.60	211.30	+0.20	...
Japan Smaller	229.40	244.00	-0.20	...
Korea	75.44	80.25	-0.24	...
Masterfund	57.59	61.27	+0.23	0.94
Scotbits	292.80	311.20r	+0.60	0.76
Scotshares	287.70	306.10	+1.10	2.36
Scotyields	244.90	260.00	+1.00	3.46
Select Intl	150.30	159.90	+0.30	0.43
Smaller Cos Inc	256.00	272.30	+0.30	3.11
SE Asia	605.40	644.00	+2.20	...
Special Situation	124.00	131.90	+0.40	0.17
UK Equity	241.10	256.50r	+0.90	2.98
UK Growth	63.47	67.52	+0.25	1.85
UK Smllr Cos Gwth	48.04	51.11	-0.20	0.69
US Growth	142.30	151.40	-0.70	0.41
Univ Growth	148.80	158.30	+0.10	0.67
SCHRODER UNIT TRUSTS LTD Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria St EC4V 4EJ Client: 0800 526 535 Broker: 0800 526 540 General Enquiries: 071 382 3800				
Retail Funds				
American	243.16	258.53	-0.23	0.78
European Gwth	77.04	81.99	+0.00	0.89
Euro Smllr Cos	78.28	83.49	+0.01	0.11
Far Eastern Gth	102.47	109.30r	+0.60	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	49.88	52.58	-0.44	7.36
Global Bond	49.70	51.36r	-0.01	6.31
Global Emer Mkts	58.02	61.88	+0.22	...
Income	352.26	375.74	+0.43	3.75
Japan Smllr Cos	577.17	615.64r	+0.79	...
Japan Enterprise	78.44	83.66	+0.43	...
Pacific Gwth	139.14	148.41r	+0.45	0.16
Seoul	53.96	57.61	-0.26	...
Smaller Cos	209.22	223.16	-0.97	0.72
Tokyo	136.56	145.66	+0.66	...
UK Enterprise	250.17	266.84r	+0.02	2.30
UK Equity	236.73	252.51r	-0.38	2.78
US Smllr Cos	149.19	159.13	+0.11	...
World Fd	80.36	85.71r	-0.01	1.78
Institutional Funds				
European	240.65	250.60r	+0.42	1.32
Euro Smllr Cos	29.66	31.93	+0.21	1.44
Global Equity Inc	79.87	83.19	+0.08	0.62
Japan Smllr Cos	45.11	46.98r	+0.06	...
Mngd Balanced	186.43	194.19	+0.13	2.36
Overseas Equity	195.53	203.67r	+0.35	0.60
Oseas Smllr Cos	132.14	137.64	+0.36	0.31
Pacific	262.35	273.28	+1.38	0.87
Recovery	£18.91	£19.70r	+1.25	2.65
UK Index	152.53	158.92	+0.72	3.32
UK Small Cos	115.20	120.62	+0.19	2.34
US Smllr Cos	41.92	44.70	-0.05	0.35
SCOTTISH AMICABLE INVEST MGRS LTD 150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NQ 041 204 2200				
Equity Income	48.79	51.96	+0.12	3.35
Equity Trust	59.79	[illegible]	[illegible]	3.80
Equity Strategy	68.57	73.26	+0.23	1.42
European Opps	91.38	97.22	+0.38	0.61
UK Smaller Cos	82.74	88.03	+0.01	1.05
Maximum Inc	97.78	103.56	+0.01	5.49
Japanese	90.20	96.08	+0.42	...
Asia Pacific	132.98	141.62	+0.75	0.46
American	99.63	106.11	-0.59	0.48
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE FD MGRS LTD 28 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh 0800 454 422				
Cash	30.35	30.35	...	4.00
UK General Inc	51.20	54.61	-0.27	2.77
Intl Income	294.50	[illegible]	-0.39	0.80
European	82.46	87.82	+0.52	1.46
Japan	77.02	81.56	+0.28	0.08
American	85.00	[illegible]	-0.16	2.04
Far East	94.41	100.58	+0.12	0.76
Ethical Inc	30.38	32.49r	+0.14	2.16
UK Blue Chip Inc	33.02	35.09r	+0.19	2.91
High Inc Inc	36.60	39.05	+0.25	3.87
UK Global Inc	41.43	44.02	+0.30	1.56
Wwide Tact	76.95	82.30	+0.09	0.79
Europe 2000 Tact	55.31	58.64	+0.32	1.32
Technology	100.79	107.40	+0.22	1.08
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS 19 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh 031 225 2211				
UK Equity	376.00	401.90	-0.80	2.82
American	253.80	269.70	-0.30	0.38
Pacific	422.40	451.80	+1.60	0.35
European	551.30	589.40	+3.00	1.09
Worldwide	90.86	97.18	-0.17	0.62
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INV MGRS LTD 109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041 248 6100				
UK Equity Inc	271.30	288.90	+1.20	2.16
UK Slr Co Eq Inc	196.00	208.60	+0.20	1.56
Select Oppnty Inc	66.53	71.16	+0.22	2.21
Income Plus Inc	73.62	78.11	+0.77	3.65
European Inc	358.30	381.20	+0.50	1.05
Far Eastern Inc	185.30	197.80	+0.90	0.22
Japanese Inc	70.22	74.71	+0.25	...
Nth American Inc	239.70	255.10	-0.40	0.57
Intl Growth Inc	209.00	222.40	+0.40	0.73
Wwide Venture Inc	81.72	86.94	-0.30	0.69
SCOTTISH WIDOWS' FUND MGMT PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031 655 3224				
Equity Inc	368.80	393.40	+0.50	2.73
UK High Inc	187.80	200.30	+0.60	3.56
Europe Inc	361.60	385.60	+1.40	0.41
Nth Amer Inc	210.90	225.00	-0.10	0.12
Global Inc	215.60	229.90	+0.10	0.59
UK Spec Sits Inc	101.40	108.30	-0.30	3.02
South East Asia	241.20	257.30	...	0.32
Cash Trust Inc	100.60	100.60	...	4.52
UK Smlr Cos Inc	104.70	111.70	+0.40	2.01
Intl Bond Inc	90.91	96.52	...	6.11
SEMPER EADEM FUND MGMT LTD 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010				
Sector Recovery	154.40	162.20r	+0.40	4.11
SHARP (ALBERT E) & CO 5 Rayleigh Rd Hutton, Brentwood Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010				
European	128.40	135.20r	+0.50	0.76
Nth American	99.37	104.60r	-0.60	0.43
Intl Bond & Conv	125.30	131.90	+0.60	4.70
Pooled Pension (£)	186.70	200.80	...	2.08
Smaller Cos	71.09	74.83	+0.37	1.27
UK General	126.60	133.30	-1.60	1.96
For Sheppards see Mayflower				
SINGER & FRIEDLANDER INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD 21 New St, London EC2M 2HR 071 626 4226				
Amer Gth Fund	92.70	...	-0.02	1.21
Amect	109.00	...	-1.30	...
European	127.40	...	-0.10	...
Global Bond	98.92	...	+0.06	7.38
Samurai	105.29	...	-0.39	...
UK Growth	103.97	...	-1.50	.23
Tml Fund	108.60	...	+0.90	...
SMITH & WILLIAMSON UT MGRS 1 Riding House St, London W1A 3AS 071 637 5377				
American	225.40	241.40	-0.30	0.41
Canadian	74.67	78.80	-0.18	0.07
Capital	130.60	139.60r	...	1.09
Cash	101.29	101.29	+0.01	4.75
European	138.00	146.00	...	0.61
Far Eastern	181.30	191.80	...	...
Growth	140.30	148.40	-0.10	1.02
Income	130.70	139.00	+0.40	6.49
Magnum	138.90	149.20r	-0.10	1.12
Smllr Sec	376.20	398.10	+1.10	0.92
Thoroughbred	161.30	173.20r	...	0.99
SOVEREIGN UNIT TST MGRS LTD 12 Christchurch Rd, Bournemouth 0202 298 422				
Cash	49.96	50.46	...	4.0
Cardid Primmee	55.91	59.63	+0.23	7.90
Ethical	54.84	58.34	+0.18	3.10
European Growth	75.82	80.87r	-0.45	2.30
Income	54.92	58.58	+0.24	5.90
Intl Growth	102.00	108.80	-0.10	2.50
Managed	83.22	88.77r	-0.22	3.30
UK Growth	61.31	65.39	+0.30	3.30
STANDARD LIFE TST MGMT LTD 3 George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 0800 393 777				
Managed Acc	51.03	54.32	...	1.46
UK Equity Gth Acc	67.72	71.96	-0.10	1.31
-do- High Inc Inc	37.17	39.50	+0.10	3.96
-do- High Inc Acc	45.08	47.90	+0.10	3.96
UK Equity Gen Acc	61.50	65.35	+0.10	2.16
UK Equity Gen Inc	46.04	48.92	+0.10	2.16
UK Lrgr Co Acc	427.30	465.70	+1.20	3.43
UK Lrgr Co Inc	321.80	349.20	+0.90	3.43
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	30.30	32.05	+0.10	6.36
Oseas Lrg Co Acc	322.10	349.50	+0.60	1.45
Nth American Acc	43.63	46.36	...	0.78
Far East Acc	73.74	78.35	-0.30	...
European Acc	54.00	57.38	+0.10	0.58
STATE STREET UT MGMT LTD 28 King Street, London SW1 6QW 071 344 7800				
Global A (NZ$)	3.854	4.090	...	0.48
US Eqts (US$)	2.419	2.567	...	0.54
Far East Eqts (yen)	268.40	285.10	...	...
Japan Eqties (yen)	268.60	285.10	...	...
FT Europe	128.10	136.00	...	1.46
FT N Amer (US$)	1.752	1.858	...	0.77
FT Japan (yen)	246.20	261.60	...	...
FT Asia Exjap (US$)	2.581	2.742	...	0.66
STEWART IVORY UNIT TST MGRS LTD 45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031 226 3271				
American	347.70	370.80	-0.40	0.06
British	£10.29	£10.89	-1.30	3.33
Emrging Mkts	166.90	177.70	+0.30	0.16
European	551.70	587.00	+4.90	0.69
Japan	176.10	187.00	+0.70	...
New Pacific	403.40	430.00	-0.40	0.66
Investment Tst	234.30	248.40	+0.80	1.32
Mngd Equity	174.40	184.50r	+0.10	1.38
Mngd Cash	95.66	95.66r	+0.01	4.35
SUN ALLIANCE UNIT TST MGMT LTD 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 690 399				
Equity	814.50	871.10	-0.70	2.90
North America	122.60	131.10	-0.50	0.86
Far East	159.50	170.60	-0.20	...
Wwide Bond	57.44	60.98	-0.12	5.42
European	110.20	117.90	-0.20	0.09
Equity Income	91.25	97.59	+0.15	4.07
Portfolio	86.56	92.58	-0.08	0.88
UK Leading Cos	59.17	62.95	-0.13	3.31
Broker Trusts				
Intnl Equity	70.20	75.08r	+0.52	...
SUN LIFE OF CANADA UT MGRS LTD Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants 0800 525 725				
American Growth	34.53	36.94	-0.08	0.44
Managed Assets	127.76	136.66r	+0.27	2.86
UK Income	39.96	42.74	+0.23	3.41
UK Growth	39.31	42.05	+0.16	2.68
Worldwide Growth	36.60	39.15	+0.03	0.53
SUN LIFE TRUST MGMT LTD 101, Cannon St, London EC4N 5AD Admin & Enq: 071 606 4044 Dlg: 071 606 6010				
Master Portfolio	50.83	54.07	...	0.15
Cap Protector Inc	42.53	45.49	+0.03	2.93
UK Income Inc	50.88	54.42r	-0.11	3.44
Mngd Extra Inc Inc	32.50	34.76r	-0.09	3.89
Mngd High Yld Inc	79.15	84.65r	-0.15	4.35
Mngd Inc/Gth Inc	75.11	80.33	-0.15	3.32
Mngd Wwide Gth	37.86	40.49	+0.21	...
UK Smaller Cos	35.20	37.65	+0.05	1.58
Pacific Grth Port	49.49	52.93r	+0.12	...
TSB UNIT TRUSTS Charlton Pl, Andover, Hants SP10 1RE 0264 346 794				
American	202.27	215.18r	-0.51	...
Brit Growth	96.22	102.35	-0.26	2.01
European	116.66	124.11r	+0.57	0.02
Extra Income	200.24	213.02	+0.43	4.02
Smaller Cos	72.85	77.50	+0.17	1.27
General	284.48	302.63r	+1.48	2.23
Premier Income	50.11	52.19r	-0.01	6.24
Income	342.74	364.61r	+0.52	3.64
Pacific	454.67	483.69r	+1.60	...
International	568.58	604.87	+1.01	0.12
Nat Resources	176.52	187.79	-0.48	0.05
Sitsd Opps	108.59	115.52	-0.06	1.20
Environmental Inv	63.59	67.65	+0.22	2.06
Selector	64.79	68.93	+0.07	2.11
High Income	64.54	68.65r	+0.08	4.43
Intl Income	58.70	62.55	-0.05	4.98
Selector Income	61.77	65.71	+0.05	4.85
TU FUND MANAGERS LIMITED NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 667 1055				
British	327.30	344.50	-2.20	2.81
TEMPLETON UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD Saltire Court, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2EH 031 469 4000				
Glob Growth Inc	205.80	220.20r	+0.51	1.53
Glob Balncd Inc	175.72	187.94	-0.53	2.91
Value Tst Inc	124.25	132.89	+0.65	1.34
THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD 33 Queen Street, London EC4R 1AX 071 246 3000 Dealing: 071 [illegible]				
Amer Smllr Cos	61.97	66.10	-0.17	...
Dresdner Eur Bd	41.29	43.40	+0.07	6.00
European Growth	285.0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Exempt	521.90	545.80r	-1.42	3.50
Global Em Mkts	108.27	115.48	-0.49	0.40
Iberian Growth	48.71	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Japan Tst	94.45	100.47	+0.55	...
Little Dragons	97.67	104.18	[illegible]	...
Nth Amer Gwth	218.83	233.00r	-1.27	0.70
Oriental Income	50.45	53.80	+0.08	4.60
Preference	120.03	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tiger	294.67	314.31	+1.10	...
UK Blue Chip	61.96	66.12	-0.08	3.00
UK Growth	508.62	549.97r	[illegible]	[illegible]
UK High Yield	104.15	111.42r	+0.30	3.40
UK Mid-Cap	202.15	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
UK Smllr Cos	102.14	109.03	[illegible]	1.10
UK Smlr Cos Div	97.23	103.98r	-0.23	4.70
WAVERLEY UNIT TST MGMT LTD 13 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh [illegible]				
Australasian Gold	30.72	32.77	[illegible]	...
Pacific Basin	43.29	46.05	[illegible]	...
Cntl Balncd Gwth	28.17	[illegible]	[illegible]	...
Global Bond (US$)	0.88	[illegible]	[illegible]	6.01
Penny Share	32.31	34.37	-0.39	0.30
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TST MGRS LTD 2 Honey Lane, London [illegible]				
Challenger	93.10	[illegible]	[illegible]	...
Short Dtd Gilt	108.60	110.00	[illegible]	...
US Govt Bd (US$)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...
Gilt Income	96.71	[illegible]	[illegible]	7.25
Gilt Growth	68.91	[illegible]	[illegible]	...
City Reserve	52.74	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.90
WOOLWICH UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD 2 Watling Oak Square [illegible] 081 298 4000				
Stockmarket Idx	76.69	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Source: Finstat

* Yield expressed as CAR (Compound Annual Return), ex dividends, middle price; ... No significant data

High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
		BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP					
523	381	Abbey Ntl	383	-4	...	3.0	13.0
314	234	Allied Irish	261	...	...	4.9	9.9
228½	179½	Aus New Z	196½	+1	...	4.9	28.4
3300	2637½	Bankamerica	3062½	-37½	...	...	...
319	246	Bk of Ireland	281	+1	...	4.6	8.1
247	172½	Bank Scotland	184	...	...	3.4	15.0
640	487	Barclays	559	-3	...	3.4	29.1
37	13½	Carlisle	28½	...	...	1.1	...
630½	449	Cater Allen	500†	+7	...	7.0	∞
180	130	Cattles	148	+1	...	4.3	15.0
2628½	1543½	Chase Manh	2337½	-48½	...	...	...
2912½	2262½	Citicorp	2700	-64	...	...	...
285½	209	Close Bros	240	...	...	3.3	13.0
£150½	£121½	Commerzbk	£138½	-256½	...	5.9	...
£344½	£270½	Deutsche Bk	£304½	...	...	2.2	...
90	60	First Nat Fin	66†	...	...	2.8	...
1540½	1152½	Fuji Bank Y	1491½	+½	...	0.4	∞
515	395	Gerrard Nat	408	+1	22.0	5.9	13.5
1113	660	HSBC	789	+2	...	3.7	11.4
1133	680	HSBC HK	804	...	...	3.7	11.6
473	256	Hambros	306†	-1	...	6.1	12.5
443	400	Joseph (L)	405†	...	...	5.4	11.8
170	132	King Shaxson	134	...	...	8.4	13.2
693	424	Kleinwort Ben	497	+3	...	4.8	8.7
660	519	Lloyds	547	+5	...	5.3	10.6
118	95	Lon Scot Bk	113	...	...	3.9	17.2
647½	489½	Nat Aust Bk	529½	+2½	...	5.4	10.9
622	421	Nat West	471	+6	...	5.2	10.6
573	415	Provident	492	-1	...	4.1	15.7
79	53	Rea Bros	57	...	...	1.6	14.7
528	377½	Ryl Bk Scot	388	+2	...	3.9	17.5
1460	1050	Schroders	1268	+20	...	1.6	11.6
350½	223	Stand Chart	270	+1	...	2.7	12.2
291	197	TSB	205	-1	...	5.0	10.1
199	131	Union	133	-1	...	2.8	12.3
1012	670	Warburg SG	763	+3	...	3.6	9.3
£105	£61½	Wells Fargo	£102†	...	...	2.6	...
280	144	Westpac	221	-1	...	2.5	∞
390	298	Wintrust	298	-2	...	4.4	∞
		BREWERIES					
683	540	Allied-Lyons	587	-4	...	4.7	14.3
619	485	Bass	565	-4	...	4.6	14.8
378	250	Boddington	270	...	...	3.7	15.1
459	359	Bulmer (HP)	388†	+2	...	3.5	22.3
196	168	Burtonwood Brw	180†	...	...	3.5	15.0
181	142	Eldridge P 'A'	150	...	...	3.0	20.8
66	46½	Fosters Brewing	52½	+½	...	5.5	61.1
493	419	Fulr Sm 'A'	419†	...	...	2.3	17.3
506	375	Grand Met	419½	...	...	4.0	18.2
511	399	Greenalls Grp	440	-3	...	3.6	16.9
584	452	Greene King	499†	+1	...	3.2	13.9
542	428	Guinness	447	-1½	...	3.6	14.5
261	239	Hardy Hanson	254†	...	...	4.4	13.0
160	135	Heavitree	140	...	...	3.6	12.6
457	393	Highland Dist	439	-1	...	1.9	20.8
3590	3125	Holt J	3590	+42	...	1.7	20.2
169	127	Macallan-Glen	168	...	...	0.8	46.4
615	365	Macdn Martn 'A'	615	...	...	2.0	25.3
246	195	Mansfield	228†	...	...	2.4	∞
302	250	Marston Thmp	280½	+1½	...	2.7	14.5
624	544	Matthew Clark	624†	+15	...	3.6	∞
250	113	Merrydown W	122	...	...	2.6	...
545	463	Morland	500	...	...	2.5	16.7
10½	8½	Paramount	8½	...	...	2.2	15.2
267	209	Regent Inns	237	...	...	2.1	24.1
1521½	1000	SA Breweries	1219½	...	...	2.3	19.8
591	493	Scot & New	527½	-4	...	4.0	15.7
190	142	Taunton Cider	174	+1	...	4.9	13.0
306	229	Vaux Group	243	-1	...	4.9	15.6
403½	324½	Wetherspoon JD	393	...	...	1.8	26.0
617	494	Whitbread	529†	-2½	...	4.4	15.4
589	493	Wolvrhmptn D	528	-1	...	3.1	14.8
535	483	Young 'A'	503	...	...	3.7	19.3
		BUILDING, ROADS					
205	135	Abbey	145	+8	...	1.7	∞
27	17	Albrighton	18†	...	...	3.5	17.3
200	148	Allen	166	...	...	4.0	19.7
164	99	Amec	115½	-2½	...	3.2	55.5
454	333	Ashtead	391	+4	...	1.8	∞
165	109	Attwoods	119	...	...	5.3	...
363	274	BPB Ind	335†	-4	...	3.0	22.6
142	93	Baggeridge Brk	137†	+2	...	2.9	25.9
41	26	Bailey (Ben) Con	37½	...	...	2.6	20.5
88	18½	Barcom	20	...	...	10.9	2.4
60	38½	Barlon	42	...	...	6.0	...
292	188	Barratt Devs	191	-4	...	3.3	20.5
169	139	Beazer Homes	157	-1	...	4.0	13.8
304	198	Bellway	218	-1	...	3.6	20.5
59	42	Bellwinch	42	...	...	...	...
244	125	Berisford Intl	224	+4	...	...	...
573	391	Berkeley Gp	418†	+3	...	2.1	17.4
215	118	Bett Bros	175	...	...	2.0	8.7
98	60	Blockleys	70	...	...	1.8	...
391	282	Blue Circle	314	-6	...	4.5	26.4
335	277	Boot (Henry)	305	-3	...	2.7	15.5
76	35	Brandon Hire	70	+2	...	2.7	∞
117	77	Breedon PLC	87	...	...	6.6	24.0
154	130	Br Dredging	140	...	...	5.0	17.9
98	78	Brit Fittings	87	...	2.0	2.9	∞
193½	140	Bryant	157	+2	...	3.8	23.9
145½	111½	CALA	123	...	...	2.6	...
409	321	CRH	384	...	...	2.5	19.5
70	31	[illegible] Kby	43	...	...	...	...
42	24	Costain	25½	-1	...	...	...
186	143	Countryside	153†	...	...	3.4	34.0
120	85	Crest Nicholson	88	...	...	2.3	16.2
140	100	Cussins	104	...	...	3.6	12.6
30	19	Edmond Hldgs	25	...	...	1.5	...
350	273	Epwin	303	+3	...	3.1	20.0
82	57	Erith	68	...	...	1.8	38.3
473	375	Fre Group	375†	...	...	3.7	∞
60	37½	Galliford	37½	...	...	3.3	...
112	87	Gibbs & Dandy	88	...	3.5	3.6	∞
1028	863	Gleeson (MJ)	863	...	...	1.8	15.1
228	182	Graham Grp	198	...	...	2.9	18.9
169	139	Hewden-Stuart	162½	-1	...	2.2	24.0
74	46	Hewetson	68	...	...	2.3	...
473	334	Heywd Wlm	368	...	...	4.4	24.5
144	96	Higgs & Hill	97	+1	...	3.2	...
41	27	How Gp	37	...	...	2.5	...
32	30	Howard Hldgs	29½	...	0.5	2.6	...
100	67	Ibstock	76	+1	...	1.6	...
25	6	Jarvis	9½	...	...	...	...
138	104	Keller	125	+2	...	3.8	14.5
428	261	Laing (J)	284	+2	...	3.8	20.9
164	106	-do- 6.4% Cv Pf	112½	+½	...	7.1	...
145	115	Ln Clydeside	127	...	...	4.3	17.6
173	78	Lovell (YJ)	78	...	...	...	...
405	332	Manders	348	...	...	3.6	18.3
213½	138½	Marley	166	+1	...	3.2	22.3
155	126	Marshalls	148†	...	...	3.6	18.1
253	198	Maunders (J)	241	+1	...	2.7	23.2
321	194	McAlpine (A)	215	...	...	3.8	31.5
76½	50½	McCarthy & S	57	-1	...	1.3	...
569	384	Meyer Int	435†	...	...	3.1	18.3
185½	94	Mowlem (J)	95	-1	...	2.6	...
202½	96	NSM	108	...	...	...	12.4
48	33	Needler	33	...	...	...	...
196	146	Newman Tnks	160	...	...	4.8	21.5
379½	220	Persimmon	299	+9	...	4.3	23.2
30	9	Phoenix Timber	13	...	...	...	...
1800	1450	Pochins	1600	...	29.0	2.3	22.7
198	131	Prowting	132	...	...	3.2	40.6
1079	805	RMC Gp	996	+7	...	2.6	28.1
116	48	Raine Ind	68	...	...	3.7	14.8
40	23	Ransom	25	...	...	...	...
640	466	Redland	540	-5	...	5.8	28.3
108	20	Roskel	95	...	4.3	5.7	...
189½	125	Rugby Group	147	-1	...	2.9	19.8
61	53	Secure Retire	55	...	...	...	...
64	50	Svrfld-Rvee	63	+1	0.5	1.0	∞
169	155	Sharpe & Fisher	175	+1	...	3.0	19.2
289	232	Sheffield Insl	271	+1	...	2.5	21.8
338	233	Sheriff Hldgs	328†	+8	...	1.6	21.8
157	94	Shorrock	151	...	5.2	4.3	27.3
245	195	Smart (J)	213	...	...	5.0	18.4
5	1½	Stirmin	1½	...	...	...	...
206	135	Tarmac	153	-1	...	4.5	...
257	154	Tay Homes	155	+1	...	4.8	19.6
183	121	Taylor Woodrw	144	+1	...	1.3	35.2
780	598	Tilbury Dougls	605	...	...	6.8	63.5
60	36	Torex Hire	53†	...	...	2.1	...
370	274	Travis Perkins	313	+5	...	3.2	25.3
39½	16	Trencherwood	20	...	...	...	...
40½	23	Try Group	25	+1	...	2.5	...
38	21	Tudor	25	...	...	1.2	...
113	90	Vibroplant	103	-1	...	4.5	∞
170	127½	Wainhomes	129	...	...	4.1	13.9
74	50	Ward Hldgs	68	...	...	...	...
45	31	Waterhouse	40	...	...	...	...
545	450	Watts Blake	570	...	...	2.9	21.9
229½	154	Westbury	167	-3	...	3.9	18.6
7	3½	Wiggins	6	...	...	...	...
571	308	Wilson Bowdn	402	-3	...	2.9	15.1
259	185	Wilson (C)	211	+1	...	2.4	20.6
249	151	Wimpey G	180	-1	...	4.1	23.9
30	16	YRM	17	...	...	...	...
		BUSINESS SERVICES					
740	583	ADT	673	+10	...	...	...
443	251	Adam & Harvey	423†	...	...	4.4	∞
83	58	Air London	65	...	...	6.9	13.8
62	44	African Lakes	52	...	...	1.2	...
140	92½	Auto Sec	98	...	...	...	12.7
162	101½	BET Ord	118½	+½	...	3.4	19.7
195	115	BNB Res	168	...	...	3.6	19.6
255	175	BPP	190	...	...	5.8	13.8
186	151	BSM	152	...	...	4.8	12.9
235	198	Barbour Index	200	...	...	5.3	∞
1½	1	Black & Edgt	1½	...	...	...	...
226	161	Brit Data Mgt	178	...	4.9	3.5	12.8
31	22	Broadcastle	28	...	...	4.5	13.4
79	58	Brooks Service	68	...	...	2.8	...
117½	95½	CRT Gp	98†	...	...	4.3	∞
238	158	Capita Group	175	-3	...	2.0	22.2
59	30	Casket Plc	35½	+½	...	4.0	11.8
39½	7½	Chiltern Capital	22	...	...	...	...
85	56	Christie	60	...	...	...	...
423	292	Chubb Sec	330†	...	...	2.4	20.3
61	41	Corp Services	52	...	...	0.6	19.6
97	81	Coutts Cnslig	89	...	...	...	...
179	140	Darr	150†	+5	...	3.1	16.0
256	212	Davis Service	223	+1	...	4.5	15.8
154	119	EW Fact	122	...	...	4.0	9.2
34	18½	Gardiner	19½	...	...	4.9	9.2
374	261	Hays	303	-2	...	2.3	23.4
269	220	Hogg Robinsn	234†	...	...	3.8	16.4
39	18	Holmes Protectn	28	...	...	...	1.7
365½	241	Hutch Whamp	302½	+1½	...	1.9	21.1
2696½	2006½	ISS B DKr	2439½	-3½	...	4.3	2.6
609	421	Inchcape	476	+9	...	3.9	15.2
196	160	JBA Hldgs	160	+1	...	1.9	16.3
414	314	Johnson Clean	318	...	...	4.2	12.9
8	4	Lep	4½	...	...	...	...
375	283	Mitie Gp	335	-4	...	1.7	∞
1575	1156½	Manpower	1575	...	...	0.8	...
85	65	Michael Page	85	...	...	3.1	20.9
132	80	Parity	110	...	...	1.3	28.3
115	87	Pentos	87	...	...	5.2	...
89½	60½	Prontfoot	62	...	...	7.1	15.3
415	310	RCO	310	...	...	6.2	10.6
121	97	REA	120†	...	...	6.2	45.8
140	104	Reed Executive	140†	...	1.0	0.9	...
131	105	Reliance Secs	128	...	...	4.7	∞
279	199½	Rentokil	235	-4	...	1.5	26.2
184	147½	Rode & Nolan	175†	...	...	2.9	27.2
342	243	Salvesen (C)	289†	+1	...	3.5	15.1
58	43	Scott Pickford	55	-1	...	2.1	∞
17½	9	Select Appt	13	...	...	...	...
300	243	Serco Gp	290	-1	...	1.5	26.4
129	75	Sherwd Cmpt	110	+4	...	1.9	...
130	108	Sketchley	105	...	...	1.8	16.4
339	325	Warner Howrd	330	...	...	2.8	15.7
30½	20½	Wills Gp	21	...	...	2.5	14.7
		CHEMICALS, PLASTICS					
288	231	Allied Colloids	282†	...	...	2.1	22.6
1141	910	Amersham	1043	+4	...	1.9	21.9
3½	2½	Anglo Utd	2½	...	...	...	...
£13½	£10½	BASF DM	£13½	-37½	...	7.2	...
371	287	BTP	324†	+7	...	3.9	20.5
£15½	£12½	Bayer DM50	£15½	-33½	...	6.0	...
171	97	Blagden	127	+1	...	1.5	59.4
131	48	Brent Chems	115	...	...	4.3	...
460	311½	Br Bio-Tech	363	+4	...	...	...
17	4½	Card Gp	7	...	...	...	21.5
199	153	Canning (W)	194	...	...	4.7	32.8
580	462	Courtaulds	536	-8	...	3.5	43.2
384	327	Croda	350	+1	...	2.8	18.9
133	95	Doeflex	95	...	...	6.1	12.8
282	225	Ellis & Everard	278†	+1	...	3.5	∞
58	35½	Euro Colour	35½	...	...	2.6	19.8
360	337	Halstead (J)	348	...	...	2.4	16.7
225	160	Hickson	165	-1	...	6.1	15.9
£18½	£10½	Hoechst	£14½	-143½	...	5.1	...
237	157½	Holliday Chem	237	...	...	2.1	18.9
966	738	ICI	858	+2	...	4.1	68.5
343	204	Laporte	249	-1	...	3.3	21.4
246	190	Leigh	220	...	...	4.6	14.6
76	48	MTM	74½	+2	...	...	...
2459½	1012½	Norsk Hydro	2418½	+3½	...	1.4	∞
625	461	Paterson Zoch	497	...	...	3.2	13.1
595	415	-do- 'A'	482	...	...	3.3	12.7
250	116	Plysu	189	...	...	4.6	27.0

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349	265	Porvair	310	...	...	1.7	23.3
66	44	Ratcliffe Speak	49	...	...	1.3	28.8
490	361	Wardle Storeys	368	+7	...	5.9	19.3
723	570	Wolstenhlme R	723	...	...	3.1	18.1
485	380	Yorks Chem	413	-1	...	2.5	19.4
336	258	Yule Catto	304	+1	...	2.6	22.1
869	672	Zeneca	795	+24	...	4.4	15.8
		DRAPERY, STORES					
248	203	Alldays	217†	+1	...	3.5	16.2
410	330	Argos Plc	365	+4	...	2.7	19.6
102	54½	Ashley (Laura)	66	+1	...	0.2	...
357	300	Asprey	316†	...	...	2.4	15.6
231	178	Austin Reed	230	...	...	3.0	12.9
166	142	Beattie (J) 'A'	143	+1	...	5.4	15.4
150	110	Bentalls	122	+1	...	2.0	46.0
165	73	Betterware	85	+6	...	3.8	9.2
48	26	Blacks Leis	48	...	...	0.0	∞
264	214	Body Shop	240	...	...	1.0	22.5
601	504	Boots	537†	+5	...	3.5	21.2
12½	2½	Brown & Jackson	3½	...	...	...	...
245½	210	Brown (N)	242	...	...	2.1	23.2
84½	51	Burton	60½	+½	...	4.1	...
245	180	Cantors	192	+2	...	2.6	26.7
520	388	Church	403	...	...	2.4	27.7
171	96	Clinton Cards	97	...	...	6.1	8.4
287	200	Coats Viyella	219½	+2	...	4.6	19.2
170	145	C'try Casuals	148	...	...	3.7	14.8
903	740	Courts Furnish	773	...	...	1.0	39.1
210	155	Crown Eyes	180	...	...	0.8	∞
137	83½	Dairy Farm Intl	96	-½	...	3.8	13.1
136½	97½	Dewhirst (IJ)	131½	...	...	1.4	23.9
287	170	Dixons Grp	204†	+8	...	4.0	26.3
11½	7½	ERA Gp	8½	...	...	...	...
11½	4½	Eclipse Blinds	4½	...	...	4.9	...
580	530	Elys (Wimbldn)	580	...	17.0	3.7	...
284	191	Essex Furn	202	...	...	2.4	32.3
287	277	Etam	287	...	...	3.3	20.4
598	494	Fine Art Dev	512	-1	14.3	3.5	15.9
50	46	Fired Earth	48	...	...	...	...
725	680	Forminster	723	-2	...	2.8	∞
190	124	French Conn	190	+5	...	...	10.7
73	48	Gent SR	55	...	...	5.1	17.1
116	85	Goldsmiths Gp	108†	...	...	1.3	19.4
683	549½	GUS	573	-8	...	2.9	16.6
196	164	Hamleys	185	...	...	3.2	17.8
31	21	Hampden Grp	26	...	...	5.2	...
82	16	Hartstone	19	...	...	2.4	...
110	85	Heritage	55	...	...	...	...
91	64	Honeysuckle	78	...	...	6.3	10.7
216½	178	Hse of Fraser	215	+1	...	2.8	19.4
211	173	Jacques Vert	191	...	...	3.0	16.6
778	477	Kingfisher	510	-5	...	3.7	12.5
88	61	Leslie Wise Gp	67	...	...	7.7	13.7
435	350	Liberty	400	...	...	1.5	49.2
380	277	Lloyds Chem	315	-2	...	3.2	10.4
184	137	MFI	148	...	...	3.4	18.8
460½	380	Marks Spencer	425†	+½	...	2.7	19.8
680	554	Menzies (John)	570	...	...	2.6	13.8
343	238	Moss Bros	327	...	...	2.7	15.9
291	214	Next	260	+½	...	2.6	19.3
70	39	Oliver (G)	69	...	...	...	74.2
335	255	Oriflame Intl	268	...	...	5.0	∞
37	22½	Pentos	24	-1	...	...	...
268	169	QS Hldgs	170	...	...	3.8	20.0
62	25	Rhino Grp	31	...	...	2.0	11.2
209	157½	Rosebys	159	...	...	3.7	18.0
180	113	Sherwood Gp	116	...	...	3.1	11.5
132	110	Sears	116½	-2½	...	3.9	19.8
46	23½	Signet Group	31½	-½	...	...	15.8
549	450	Smith WH	467	+2	...	4.0	15.1
21	11	Specialeyes	13	...	...	...	...
252	205	Storehouse	225†	-1	...	3.1	20.0
198	146	T & S Stores	176	...	...	4.3	13.1
173	124	Tie Rack	139	...	...	1.6	16.5
265	215	Time Products	227	...	...	4.7	17.6
132	105	Usher (Frank)	106	...	6.0	7.1	11.5
484	384	Vendome	484†	+2	...	1.4	∞
44	34	Vivat	35	-1	...	4.5	9.1
70	34	WEW Group	36	...	...	2.1	26.5
79	42	Wensum	79	...	...	3.2	27.9
129	92	Wickes	97	...	...	1.7	23.2
91	54	Wld of Leather	91	...	...	...	...
195	139	Wyevale	139	...	...	4.0	14.7
		ELECTRICALS					
187	109	ACT Group	117†	...	...	5.6	10.9
286	248	Acal	275	...	...	3.1	17.2
634	478	Admiral	634	...	...	1.3	23.2
191	163	Alba	191	...	...	3.3	15.4
43	34	Alphameric	39	...	...	...	29.7
50	26	Amstrad	33	-½	...	1.0	...
105	73	App Holo	96	...	...	...	...
39	24	Arlen	30	...	...	...	...
94½	78	Astec	85½	...	...	1.1	21.3
281	213	Azlan	213†	...	...	1.8	∞
283	239	Beales Hunter	261	+2	...	4.5	16.1
478	378	BICC	416	+1	...	5.8	30.5
536	411	Blick	425†	...	...	3.1	17.1
1100	637½	Borland	775	-12½	...	...	...
380	305½	Bowthorpe	317	-5	...	2.7	17.7
486	353½	BT	373½	-5	...	5.6	13.0
367	236½	BT P/P	253½	-6	...	5.6	13.0
20	14½	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	20	+1½	...	1.6	14.6
79	55	Burnfield	67	+2	...	4.7	52.1
543	394	Cable Wireless	445†	-9	...	2.3	18.9
35½	24	Chloride	30½	...	...	...	...
283	263	CML Micro	268	...	...	2.8	∞
182	105	Comptr People	175	...	...	1.1	39.9
202	154	Cray Elect	182†	+1	...	1.5	∞
458	412	Crichley	458†	...	...	2.2	20.5
586	473	Delta	521	+6	...	3.5	23.2
663	446	Denmans El	585†	...	...	1.4	16.3
538	400	Domino	531	+4	...	2.0	22.8
78	68	Dowding Mills	73	...	...	4.3	24.5
1635	1230	Druck	1488	...	...	0.9	∞
589	463	Electrocomptns	490†	-1	...	2.4	21.4
199½	125	El Data Prc	138	...	...	1.7	12.8
175	133	Electron House	155	...	...	2.6	∞
35	21	Emess	32½	...	...	0.4	...
451	343	Eurotherm	390†	...	...	1.6	23.6
212	162½	FKI	192†	...	...	2.4	23.4
656	512	Farnell Elect	537½	-½	...	1.7	22.1
336	256	First Tech	336	+3	...	1.3	∞
283	200	Forward Gp	217	+2	...	2.9	13.0
50	34½	Forward Tech	48	...	...	0.7	...
353½	289½	GEC	289½	-4	...	4.7	14.6
191	119	Goseby	139	+2	...	5.9	12.0
19½	10	Graysome	14½	...	...	0.9	...
193	126	Ind Control	133	...	...	4.3	11.9
338	268	Jones Stroud	315	...	...	3.6	∞
188	90	Kalamazoo	145†	+9	...	2.8	∞
36	9	Kemitron	36†	+2	0.1	1.2	∞
395	335	Kenwood App	371†	+1	...	3.0	17.8
298	221	Kewill Sys	280	...	...	2.3	∞
145	75	Kode	78	...	...	9.6	11.2
35	15	Laser-Scan	22	...	...	...	...
145½	68	LDMS	94†	...	...	...	...
355	255	Lec Refrig	255	...	...	3.2	...
171	107	Life Sciences	133	+2	...	3.7	14.0
314	266	Logica	283	...	...	1.8	32.6
52	46	LPA Inds	46	...	...	4.3	...
216	136	MK Data Mngmt	144	+1	...	4.3	16.0
725	553	Macro 4	590	+7	...	4.4	16.8
281	270	Memoir-Sw	245	...	...	2.1	∞
1339	795	Micro Focus	1058	+18	...	...	10.0
178	126	Microgen	130†	+1	...	7.0	13.0
44	31	Microvitec	42½	+3	...	...	...
549½	432	Misys	432†	-1	...	2.3	∞
494	185	Motts	228	...	...	...	...
188	143	MDT Compr	176	...	...	3.0	18.0
315	250	MTL Instr	250	...	...	1.7	20.0
148	114	Murray Ent	123	...	...	2.0	...
2749½	2300	NYNEX	2540½	-31½	...	...	...
128	83	Neotronics	83†	...	...	3.9	18.0
56	33	Newmark (L)	56	...	...	...	...
415	279	Norbain	404†	-1	...	0.7	∞
85	47	Northamber	85†	+1	...	1.2	∞
9½	6½	Oceonics	6	...	...	...	...
31	24	Orbis	24	...	0.5	2.7	∞
358	277	Oxford Inst	295	-1	...	2.2	17.2
84	60	P & P	68	...	...	3.9	16.9
98	74½	Peek	85½	...	...	5.0	22.1
£105	£97½	Philips Fn 4%	£105	...	...	5.5	...
2059½	1400	-do- Lmp m	2056½	+3½	...	0.9	9.4
440	286	Phonelink	293	+3	...	...	...
342	281	Pilco	342	...	...	1.6	28.7
330	283	-do- 'A' Voting	327	...	...	1.8	27.4
123	70	Plasmec	123	...	...	3.0	...
127	100	Pressac	120	...	...	2.7	24.5
303	181	Psion	253	-2	...	1.4	27.7
258	187	Racal Elect	246†	+2	...	2.2	20.2
50	33	Radamec	46	...	...	4.6	13.0
41	27	Radius	37	...	...	1.4	...
151	73	Real Time	151	+3	...	3.4	∞
311	229	Roxboro	266	...	...	0.9	19.4
610	507	Sage Gp	576	...	...	2.2	15.5
94	77½	Sanderson Elec	90	...	...	4.0	...
89	25	Scantronic	28	...	3.1	14.2	7.7
254	162	Scholes Grp	253	...	...	2.5	26.3
424	310	Sema Gp	424	...	...	0.9	25.6
220	245	Servomex	245	...	...	3.3	27.5
49	37	Silverthorne	37	...	...	1.8	22.0
94	63	Soundtracks	68†	...	...	4.4	15.4
3225	2265½	TDK	2900	-21½	...	1.1	∞
19	11	TDS Circuits	12½	...	...	...	...
170	83	Telemetrix	90	-1	...	1.4	10.5
295	191	Telspec	281	+1	...	1.1	34.0
1165	970	THORN EMI	1028†	-3	...	4.1	21.2
202	133	Thorpe FW	202	...	...	1.8	18.1
43	22	Total Systems	25	...	...	7.5	∞
303	215	Tunstall	215	...	...	2.1	15.4
354	256	Unitech	350	...	...	2.4	∞
16	8½	Verity	10½	+½	...	...	...
31	21½	Vistec	24½	...	...	2.0	13.3
212	157½	Vodafone	192½	-3	...	1.8	25.2
483	395	Volex	430	...	...	5.4	18.3
31	20	Western Selectn	26	...	0.2	1.2	...
335	260	Wholesale Ftgs	270	...	11.7	5.4	28.7
		ELECTRICITY					
717	537	East Midlands	668†	+10	...	4.2	32.7
725½	566	Eastern Elect	688†	+18	...	4.2	35.1
477	322	Hydro-Elect	364	+3	...	4.4	11.2
733½	534	London Elect	621†	+12	...	4.5	9.5
850	635	Manweb	742†	+17	...	4.1	8.9
767	547	Midlands Elec	680†	+17	...	4.3	10.4
585	404½	National Powr	462	-5	...	3.4	11.5
801	589	Northern Elec	725†	+20	...	4.3	9.1
421	329	Nthn Ireland	349†	-1	...	4.1	9.5
866	597	Norweb	728†	+25	...	3.9	9.6
582	449	PowerGen	552	+6½	...	2.9	12.1
486	337½	Scottish Power	380	...	...	4.2	11.8
435	299	Seeboard	378†	+6	...	3.9	10.0
825	591	Sth Wales	702†	+18	...	4.6	9.5
743	551	Sth Western	671†	+15	...	4.4	8.9
745½	540	Southern Elec	667†	+9	...	4.3	10.4
729½	532	Yorkshire Elec	657†	+16	...	4.5	12.8
		FINANCE, LAND					
57	51	Aitken Hume	51 #	...	1.0	2.5	10.8
165	49	BWD	104†	+1	...	5.0	9.3
118	96	Baltic Plc	115	...	...	1.6	12.8
215	163	Blocc Inv	165	+2	...	...	...
757	623	Caledonia	734†	+14	...	2.8	18.1
2600	1900	Camellia	2500	-50	...	1.6	6.7
363	310	Candover	321	+1	...	4.3	...
485	367	Govett	392	-1	...	4.8	6.3
250	185	Ivory Sime	231†	...	...	4.1	18.0
428	175	Johnson Fry	188	...	1.5	1.0	...
245	147	Lon Forfaiting	147	...	...	7.9	9.2
57	44	Mamakin	49	...	...	...	...

Equities drift lower

TRADING PERIOD: Settlement takes place ten business days after the day of trade. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close, but adjustments are made when a stock is ex-dividend. Changes, yields and price/earnings ratios are based on middle prices.

High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
25½	8½	Nat Home Loan	17½	...	...	...	0.4
58	53	Newmarket	58	...	...	...	...
365	247	Rathbone Bs	270	...	...	3.5	14.2
29	21½	Rutland Tst	24	...	...	4.3	12.2
369½	281½	S & U	336	+5	...	3.9	10.9
114	82	Singer & Fried	88	-1	...	4.3	11.3
1260	788	Sotheby's	813	-15	...	3.4	35.1
188	131	SIP Capital	156	...	...	2.4	9.6
224	125	Towry Law	176	+1	...	3.3	17.3
		FINANCIAL TRUSTS					
2015½	1628½	Amer Express	1787½	+25	...	...	...
154	131	Brewin Dolphin	152	+1	...	4.8	11.2
229	157	Gartmore	176	...	...	2.8	20.3
1208	845	Henderson Ad	913	...	...	6.0	14.5
251½	152	Invesco	184	+2½	...	2.4	30.2
317	214½	Jardine Strat	250½	+1	...	3.2	10.3
323	247	MAI	276	-3	...	3.1	15.0
117½	95½	MAI 5.9% Cv Pf	103½	-½	...	...	...
770	538	MAM	619	...	...	4.5	14.4
1243	794	M & G	954	+5	...	3.7	20.0
496	342	Smith New Ct	391†	...	...	3.3	3.5
65	25	Trio Hldgs	28	-1	...	0.7	12.7
		FOODS					
607	499	AB Food	592†	+1	...	3.2	11.6
66	50½	ASDA Group	60½	...	...	3.7	12.5
368	365	Acatos & Hutch	288	+5	...	3.7	11.5
74	44	Albert Fisher	49	...	...	9.6	10.9
306½	222½	Argyll	277½	+5½	...	5.2	12.1
270	230	Banks (S C)	265	...	...	4.7	∞
358	308	Barr (AG)	354†	...	...	2.4	22.8
72	56	Bensons Crisps	58	...	...	6.1	19.2
481	378	Booker	417	+2	...	6.5	14.8
56½	48	Borthwick	53½	...	...	3.0	22.9
508	428	Brake Bros	428	...	...	2.0	15.9
43	24	Bridgen	32	+1	...	4.0	∞
178	156	CPL Aromas	175	-1	...	2.1	16.7
545	407	Cadbury-Schw	453	-12	...	4.0	15.3
232	143	Carrs Milling	186	...	...	3.0	∞
167	130	Cranswick	157†	...	...	6.6	13.1
17	11½	Cullens	13½	...	...	...	...
154	90	Dalepak	119	...	...	1.6	∞
543	389	Dalgety	438	+3	...	5.6	12.8
87	50	Daniels S	57	...	...	0.7	...
294	219	Devro	236	+1	...	3.3	15.0
101	60	Everest	62	...	...	7.5	11.8
394	350	Farepak	350†	...	...	2.4	∞
8½	6	Farringford	6	...	...	...	...
85	68	Finlay (James)	76	...	...	6.8	14.2
105	87	Fyffes	96†	...	...	1.8	16.4
371	193	Geest	255	-3	8.1	4.0	...
20½	14	Global	16½	-½	...	3.8	15.0
68	39	Grand Central	39	...	...	...	...
194	119	Hazlewood Fds	136†	+12	...	6.2	8.3
196½	151	Hillsdown	168	+1	...	6.5	13.4
28	16	Hobson	22	+½	...	...	...
211	133	Iceland Group	153	+1	...	3.1	9.8
111	93	JLI Group	96†	...	...	0.2	∞
656	523	Kwik Save	602	+28	...	3.9	10.5
359	138	Low (Wm)	359	...	...	2.0	11.9
117	85	Matthews (B)	112	...	...	2.8	17.9
18	10½	Merchant Retail	11½	...	...	2.2	...
141	99	Morrison (W)	137	-1	...	0.9	16.0
246	205	Nichols (JN)	212	...	...	3.4	14.2
271½	197	Nthn Foods	205†	-1	...	3.4	10.0
14	9	Nrthmbrn Fds	12	...	...	...	...
232	180	Nurdin Peack	194	-1	...	4.2	10.8
131	89½	Park Foods	123	...	...	2.5	∞
81	62	Perkins Food	66	+1	...	8.4	11.1
141	109	PizzaExpress	122	...	...	0.5	25.8
5½	2½	Regina Hlth	2½	...	...	...	...
480	342	Sainsbury J	425	+6	...	3.1	15.0
96	73	Senny Farms	76	...	...	3.7	7.7
122	71	Sims Food	94	...	...	10.6	∞
487½	392	Tate & Lyle	447	+3	...	3.7	11.1
254	200½	Tesco	240½	+3	...	4.0	12.5
198	162	Thorntons	186	...	...	2.6	...
238	145	Treat	236	-8	...	2.3	18.3
434½	346	Unigate	365†	...	...	5.9	10.3
388	302	Utd Biscuits	336	+3	...	5.7	14.3
21	9	Usborne	9	...	...	4.6	6.6
422	279	Watson & Phil	364†	...	...	5.0	14.7
49	34	West Trust	36	...	...	9.3	23.6
		HOTELS, CATERERS					
34	26	Abrdn Stk Fl	34	...	...	...	...
94	76½	City Centre Rest	76½	...	...	2.9	16.9
285	209½	Forte	235½	-3	...	4.0	36.7
207	169	Friendly Hotels	170†	...	...	4.2	29.6
169½	142½	Jurys Hotel	146	...	...	4.8	∞
217½	153	Ladbroke	170	-2½	...	4.4	25.0
109½	78½	Mandarin Orntl	89½	+1	...	3.6	23.0
31	18½	Ryan Hotels E	27½	...	...	4.7	15.7
1135	790	Savoy Hotel 'A'	960	...	...	0.5	...
92	60½	Stakis	88½	...	...	1.7	31.9
		INDUSTRIALS					
66	36	AAF Inds	45	...	...	...	...
544	413	AAH	418†	+3	...	5.4	14.9
185	119	AIM	134†	+1	...	4.2	35.7
138	108	APV	113	...	...	6.0	...
220	157	ASW	211	-1	...	3.6	...
202	158	Adwest	178	+2	...	5.1	19.1
20½	14	Aerospace Eng	15½	...	...	6.0	75.5
312	223	Airsprung	231	...	...	2.6	∞
230	192	Alexdra W	214	+3	...	3.3	22.8
11½	5½	Allied Radio	6½	+½	...	...	...
330	283	Alumast	320	...	...	2.4	17.8
73	39	Alvis	56†	...	...	2.2	38.0
755	705	Amber Ind	755†	+12	...	1.3	15.7
65½	43½	Amberley Gp	58†	...	...	2.2	∞
81	43	Anagen	50	-2	...	...	...
95	47	Andrews Sykes	47	-2	...	...	...
365	199½	Antofagasta	315	+5	...	1.3	25.5
62	48	Armour	50	-½	...	4.2	11.6
175	168	Ash & Lacy	170	...	...	4.7	20.6
6	3½	Ass Br Eng	4½	...	...	1.5	54.9
639	474	Avon Rubber	610	...	...	3.4	26.5
297½	249	Assoc Nursg	251	...	...	1.0	∞
553	480	Atlas Equip	533	...	...	5.2	18.5
96	66	Ayrshire Metal	96	...	1.5	2.0	...
236	180	BBA	210	-3	...	4.5	...
163	115	BLP Group	155	...	...	0.8	42.5
44	24½	BM Gp	43½	+2½	...	...	...
787	622	BOC	765	...	...	3.8	32.3
86½	60½	BSG	71	...	...	5.6	44.4
578	495	BSS Group	527	...	...	4.2	22.0
401	344	BTR	386	-2½	...	4.0	20.1
176	138	BWI	148	...	...	5.7	18.7
40½	26½	Babcock	32	-½	...	...	...
11	6½	Bailey (CH)	7½	...	...	...	...
270	216	Baird (Wm)	234	-1	...	4.8	18.6
568½	368½	Barlow	468½	...	...	0.7	...
81	64	Baynes (Charles)	75	...	...	2.8	20.5
25½	17	Bearing Power	18	...	...	5.2	11.4
95	23	Beauford	24	...	...	...	...
35	28	Bedford (W)	31	...	...	...	...
18½	12	Benson Group	14½	-½	...	3.6	11.0
393	243	Bespak	246†	+1	...	5.2	∞
91	49	Bibby (J)	55	...	...	4.5	...
236	145	Billam (J)	145	...	...	4.6	9.0
38	26	Bilston Batters	37	...	...	...	...
10	3½	Bimec Ind	6½ #	...	...	...	...
283	243	Birkby	273†	+2	...	2.7	∞
44	30	Black Arrow	43	...	...	7.9	∞
283	233	Black (Peter)	268	...	3.8	1.8	21.0
220	135½	Bluebird Toys	216	-2	...	2.3	9.1
329	262	Bodycote	299	...	...	2.2	21.2
40	31	Bogod 'A'	31	...	...	2.9	∞
69	43	Booth Inds	67	...	...	...	...
28½	17	Bonstead	27†	...	...	3.7	∞
526	409	Bowater	461	+1	...	3.4	17.3
1809½	1378½	Bowater Inc	1787½	-21½	...	...	...
297	252	Boxmore Intl	270	...	...	1.9	17.2
20	15	Bratway	17	...	...	4.0	∞
348	288	Brammer	335	+2	...	4.9	21.8
31	19	Bridgend Gp	20†	...	...	1.2	∞
166	120	Bridon	166	+2	...	3.0	...
88	74	Bridport-Gndry	88	+2	...	3.2	...
57½	44½	Brierley Inv	50½	+1½	...	8.5	9.8
235	190	Br Bldg & Eng	195	...	...	5.1	16.4
124	87	Br Bloodstock	92	...	...	...	...
515	435	Br Polythene	445	...	...	3.2	15.6
162	121½	Br Steel	156½	-2	...	1.6	58.0
176	114	Br Thornton	114†	...	...	6.6	∞
309	233	Br Vita	270	...	...	3.4	22.7
180½	136½	Brittan Grp	152	...	...	2.1	22.4
931½	773½	Broken Hill	926	...	...	2.1	39.9
125	86½	Bromsgrve Ind	93†	...	...	6.0	11.8
18½	9½	Brooke Tool	13½	...	...	...	...
71	46	Brown & Tawse	51	...	...	...	...
186	135	Bullough	157†	-1	...	4.8	25.8
16	8	Business Tech	9½	...	...	...	...
22	14	CI Group	15	...	...	4.2	61.2
54	31	Campbll & Arm	37	...	...	...	...
39	26	Cannon St	30	+½	...	...	11.5
488	405	Cantab Pharms	405	-3	...	...	...
278	254	Cape	262†	...	...	5.2	16.6
455	278	Caradon	307	-3	...	3.6	23.1
215½	139½	-do- pf	148½	-½	7.2	6.1	...
293	252	Carclo Eng	252†	...	...	4.5	16.5
10	6	Care UK	6½	...	...	...	...
2446½	1890½	Carnaud MB	2115½	-50	...	2.3	16.3
104	80	Cassidy Bros	86†	...	...	4.0	11.0
273	220	Castings	273†	...	...	2.4	∞
66	32½	Cathay Intl	36	...	...	...	...
233	191	Celtech	207	...	...	...	...
230	155	Chamberlin Hill	155	...	...	5.2	9.8
779½	636½	Charter	742	...	...	3.8	21.1
360	273	Chemring	297	-2	...	3.9	15.7
62	46	Chieftain Gp	58	...	...	7.7	11.4
246	152	Christies Int	170	...	...	1.4	31.6
80	60	Claybithe	64†	...	...	5.1	∞
668	403	Cohen (A)	510	...	3.4	0.8	...
297	232	Community H	237	...	...	3.9	13.5
283	206	Concentric	210	...	...	3.5	17.4
310	240	Cook (Wm)	274	...	...	3.5	12.9
285	227	Cookson	251	-5	...	3.1	27.1
110	81	Copyrite	105	...	...	4.8	14.9
167	146	Crowd Pkr 'A'	148	...	...	4.8	20.0
157½	109	Cosalt	130†	...	...	6.0	...
285	215	Creighton Nt	220†	...	...	4.4	∞
44	31	CrestaCare	34	...	...	2.8	...
2062½	18½	Dana	1887½	-25	...	...	...
388	305	Danks Br Sys	349	+5	...	0.5	29.8
296	220	David Brown	241	+4	...	3.3	17.0
1021	825	De La Rue	980†	-6	...	2.6	20.4
52	36½	Dinkie Heel	37	...	...	4.7	9.7
628	460½	Diploma	484	-4	...	3.2	19.4
97	70	Dobson Park	85†	+1	...	5.5	16.8
134	102	Dyson (J&J)	112	...	5.0	5.6	20.6
97	78	-do- 'A'	90	...	...	5.0	∞
16	13	EFG	14½	...	0.1	0.9	9.5
442	364	EIS	375	...	...	4.1	15.1
25	15	Elbief	19	...	...	...	...

High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
53	41	Elico	42	...	...	...	...
3750½	2300	Electrolux 'B'	3303½	-25	...	1.6	37.2
91	69	Elliott (B)	85	...	...	1.5	13.0
447½	321	Eng China Cl	390	-3	...	5.2	22.7
146	103	Environmed	108†	...	...	0.2	...
3662½	2737½	Ericsson 'B'	3543½	-65½	...	1.1	31.2
86	53	Eurocopy	57†	...	...	3.9	16.8
98	60	Expamet	98	+1	...	3.2	69.4
391	334½	Fairey Group	391	+3	...	1.9	20.7
145	106	Fenner	131†	+1	...	0.4	...
110	82	Ferraris Group	88	...	...	3.0	13.0
45	40	Ferrum	40	...	...	...	...
78	50	File Indmar	56	...	...	6.1	8.2
157	113	Fisons	147	+2	...	3.7	...
60	37	Fitzwilton	40†	...	...	11.3	...
298	263	Flogas	298	...	...	2.8	∞
51	38	Folkes Group nv	42	...	1.5	4.5	...
126	94	French (Thomas)	95†	...	...	4.8	18.8
264	220	Frost Group	228	...	...	2.7	24.1
88	77	GEI Intl	84†	...	...	2.2	23.6
644	510½	GKN	644	+9	...	4.0	38.7
79	49	GR Hldgs	55	...	...	4.1	...
134	91	Garton Eng	102	...	...	5.3	28.9
191	136	Gestetner	145	...	...	2.1	...
66	49	Glaves	62	...	...	2.0	39.8
725	520	Glaxo	603	...	...	5.0	14.3
46	35½	Glenchewton	37	...	...	...	...
404	334	Glynwed	390	+5	...	3.8	28.2
209	125	Goode Durrant	198†	...	...	3.8	15.5
185	143	Grampian Hld	147	...	...	4.7	56.8
598	487	Granada	537†	-½	...	2.1	21.2
709	452	Great Sthrn	709	+1	...	2.5	23.3
85	71	Green (Ernst)	71	...	...	12.3	13.0
15½	11½	Greenacre	11½	...	...	3.5	16.1
84½	61	Haden MacLn	79	...	...	3.2	20.4
122	90	Hadleigh	112	-1	...	2.3	∞
76	59	Hakin Fldgs	62	-1	...	...	48.4
330	149	Hall Eng	181	...	...	6.6	10.4
256	204	Halma	234†	...	...	1.3	26.3
71	47	Hampson Ind	66†	...	...	3.8	∞
302	233½	Hanson	264	-1½	...	5.2	23.6
161	132	Harris (Philip)	157	...	...	5.5	19.4
220	152	Harrison Crsfld	182½	+½	...	6.3	20.2
179	121	Havelock Euro	177	...	...	1.4	21.0
48	30	Hay (Norman)	30	...	...	...	...
50	33	Headway	38	...	...	2.5	...
511	307	Hepworth	335	-5	...	5.5	17.4
205	154	Hewitt (J)	157	...	...	2.6	...
75	52	High-Point	53	...	0.5	1.2	...
184½	148	Hill & Smith	156†	+1	...	4.7	17.9
191	111	Holders Tech	118†	...	...	6.4	12.8
63	39	Hopkinsons	59	...	...	2.8	...
216	176	Horoby	189	...	...	6.0	17.3
103	78	Howden	97	...	...	3.2	∞
280	234	Hozelock	273	...	...	2.7	19.4
265	190	Hunting	190	...	...	6.6	37.6
513	402	Huntleigh Tec	428	...	...	1.3	24.7
379	288	IMI	332	...	...	3.8	28.3
138	110	ISA Intl	122	...	...	1.7	16.4
165	50	Intercare Gp	51†	...	...	8.6	5.4
325	284	Isoton	290	...	4.4	1.9	16.3
710	609½	Jardine Math	518½	...	...	2.8	12.1
628	488	Johnson Matth	590	-2	...	2.4	23.5
51	37	Johnson & FB	41	-1	...	1.1	...
289	149	Johnston	289	...	...	0.9	...
32	25	Jones Shipman	26	...	...	...	...
36	27½	Jourdan (T)	28	...	...	4.5	27.8
191½	148½	Kalon	165½	-1½	...	3.2	16.7
301	230	Kelsey Ind	280	...	...	3.6	...
855	730	Kenlaw (A)	855†	...	...	4.0	44.0
276	197	Kleeneze	205	...	...	0.6	45.5
436	341	Laird	428	+3	...	3.1	20.1
170	145	Lilleshall	150	...	...	3.8	16.3
229	205	Lincat	230	...	...	3.7	14.8
400	313	Linton Park	398	...	...	4.7	∞
14	6½	Lionheart	7	...	...	5.4	15.9
20½	15	Locker (T) A	15½	...	...	1.6	∞
152½	74	Lon Intl	100†	+6	...	...	...
175½	124½	Lonrho	136½	...	...	3.7	37.5
436	364	Low & Bonar	433	-1	...	3.0	17.2
49	41	ML Hldgs	44†	...	...	2.4	15.3
67	49	MS Intl	49†	...	...	6.4	28.6
70	45	MY Holdings	55	...	...	3.4	13.3
271	223	Macfarlane	244	...	...	2.0	22.2
539	431	McKechnie	485	+3	...	3.8	23.2
127	100	McLeod Russel	114	...	...	6.7	17.6
104	70	Magnolia	73	...	...	0.2	...
163	129	Mang Bronze	142	+5	...	3.1	16.0
26	18½	Marling	21	+1½	...	4.0	36.9
231	167	Mayborn	167	...	...	4.3	11.7
64	53	Mayflower	61	+2	...	2.8	24.8
187	120	Medeva	138	...	...	2.4	12.0
120	77½	Meggitt	83	...	...	5.9	12.4
120	101	Metalrax	102	...	...	4.5	16.9
128	99	Metrotect	102†	...	...	4.2	∞
135	99	Metroco	131	...	...	1.9	18.2
126	83	Midstares	87	...	...	1.1	12.1
589	548	Molins	567	...	...	3.4	11.4
408	326	Morgan Cble	360	...	...	4.4	18.1
217	176	Morris Ashby	207†	...	...	3.6	∞
51	34	Neepsend	36	-1	...	4.4	16.5
80	45	Nestor-BNA	45	-1	...	8.8	10.1
274	214	Nobo Gp	243†	...	...	3.1	∞
212½	120	Norcros	132	-1	...	6.6	23.7
35	30	Novo Group	30	...	...	4.6	9.6
64	48	OMI Intl	54½	...	...	4.0	∞
175	160	PCT	165	...	7.2	5.5	∞
91	66	Pacer Systems	84	...	...	5.6	27.7
46	31	Pascoe's	40	...	...	...	...
123	84	Pentland	97	+1	...	1.6	21.1
310	220	Photo-Me	235	...	4.7	2.5	14.1
208	162	Pilkington	195†	+2	...	2.6	...
53	38	Plant & Gen	49	...	1.5	3.8	∞
110	82	Plantsbrook	97	+1	...	4.4	11.4
185	129	Polypipe	148	...	...	1.8	19.0
34	16	Porter Chadburn	34	...	...	...	...
341	218	Powerscreen	280	-1	...	3.1	13.0
23½	16½	Prospect Inds	17½	...	...	5.8	9.4
77	56	RPS Group	61	...	...	4.9	12.6
108	82	Radiant Metal	90	...	...	...	...
174	120	Ramco Egy	164	-2	...	0.4	...
447½	355½	Rank Org	409†	-4½	...	3.9	26.2
45	13	Ransomes	15	+3	...	...	...
723	557	Reckitt Colm	621	+1	...	3.5	15.5
95	70	Record	89	...	...	5.1	20.0
5½	3½	Reece	3½	...	...	...	...
291	211	Relyon	217	...	...	3.0	30.6
308	258	Renishaw	283	+1	...	2.9	35.6
180	126	Renold	180†	+½	...	1.7	∞
539½	424	Reuters	495	+3	...	1.7	24.7
90	74	Rexmore	88	...	...	3.6	∞
194	138	Ricardo Group	152†	...	...	4.8	17.8
73	57	Richard (Leics)	57	...	...	4.9	40.8
104½	82½	Richardson West	87	...	...	4.6	17.6
164	118½	Ropner	138	-2	...	6.8	13.9
24	15	Ross Gp	15½	...	...	3.2	...
195	157	Rotork	164	-2	...	3.4	17.3
190	137	Rubicon	140	-2	...	4.2	∞
91	62	Russell (A)	88	...	...	2.5	31.3
42	34½	SEP Indl	40†	...	...	2.8	18.8
1459½	1087½	SKF 'B'	1268½	-46½	...	...	...
272	186	Scapa	217†	+1	...	3.4	18.5
310	166	Scholl	169	...	...	4.7	13.7
291	242	Scotia	265	...	...	...	...
1350	1146	Securicor	1340	...	...	0.3	33.2
1036	785	-do- 'A'	879	-1	...	0.4	21.7
892	606	Security Serv	691	+1	...	1.1	21.8
150½	89½	Senior Eng	131½	+½	...	3.2	21.3
339	291	Seton Health	339	+4	...	2.4	17.3
180	138	Shiloh	153	...	...	2.9	10.1
358	271	Sidlaw	271	-1	...	5.0	13.2
630	517	Siebe	612†	+2	...	2.2	19.7
378	194	Silentnight	206	...	...	4.9	11.8
178	137	Sime Darby	177	-1	...	2.7	19.5
130½	75	Simon Eng	114	...	...	...	...
244	186	Sinclair (Wm)	191	...	...	4.6	15.5
70	35	Six Hundred	70	...	...	2.7	...
159½	136½	Smith & Neph	158	+½	...	3.9	17.5
443	357½	Smithkline	425	+3	...	3.2	16.4
407	322	Smthkline Uts	381	+5	...	3.6	14.7
527½	420	Smiths Ind	480	+2	...	3.2	19.3
104	41	Sthn Bus	46†	...	...	10.1	4.4
243	157½	Spandex	238	...	...	1.2	22.3
1130	420	Spear (JW)	1130	...	...	2.1	19.2
437	337	Spirax-Sarco	413	...	...	3.0	20.1
81½	45	Spring Ram	45	-1	...	1.4	...
267	197	Staveley	222†	...	...	4.8	64.9
243	197	Sterling Ind	236†	...	...	3.3	21.2
230	180	Suter	199	+2	...	5.8	17.6
604	449½	Swire Pacific 'A'	547½	+6½	...	1.8	∞
77	48	Sykes-Pick	75	...	...	4.4	38.3
178	149	Syltone	158†	...	...	3.9	∞

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455	351	TI	412	+7	...	3.5	22.5
44	31	TLS Range	35	...	...	1.8	38.8
389	330	TT Group	364	-2	...	2.3	∞
292	192	Takare	228	...	2.0	1.1	19.9
852½	650	Takeda Chem	797½	+½	...	0.8	14.6
101	92	Tinsley (E)	92†	...	...	7.6	∞
220	203	Titon	203	...	...	2.6	17.3
283	213	Tomkins	234†	+½	...	3.9	15.1
124	74½	Trafalgar H	89	+1½	...	1.4	...
105	63	Transfer Tech	71	...	...	5.8	7.6
163	130	Triplex Lloyd	149½	+½	...	5.9	∞
318	262	UniChem	295	+2	...	2.6	16.5
440	245	Unidare	265	...	...	4.0	14.4
54	33	Unigroup	45	...	...	...	...
1247	958	Unilever	1049	+1	25.0	3.0	15.1
£118½	£96½	Unilever (NV)	£107½	-37½	...	3.0	14.4
18½	12	Utd Inds	13½	...	...	...	...
1093	816	VSEL	894†	+1	...	4.7	8.4
31½	14½	Verson	16½	...	...	...	...
204	160	Vickers	187	+2	...	2.0	23.4
327	264	Victaulic	273	+2	...	3.7	15.0
522	451	Vinten	478	...	...	2.0	15.6
805	661	Vosper Thorny	740†	...	...	3.0	16.0
65	37	WSP Hldgs	61	...	...	3.7	44.9
525	451	Wagon Ind	526	...	...	4.3	∞
200	60	Wakebourne	83	-1	...	3.1	...
114	97	Walker Greenbk	102	...	3.3	4.0	∞
314½	246½	Wassall	300	...	...	1.4	26.7
59	44	Watford Wdgwd	57	...	...	...	44.4
365	254	Weir	314	+2	...	2.6	18.2
704	498	Wellcome	685½	+9½	...	2.2	14.5
220	203	Wellington Hdg	203	-1	...	3.2	19.6
40½	22	Wellman	37½	...	...	3.0	61.2
400	294	West Hlthcare	327	...	...	1.4	21.0
548	455	Whatman	480	...	...	2.7	17.0
264	108	Whessoe	125	+1	...	8.2	9.5
126	95	Whitecroft	119†	...	...	2.1	16.8
13½	10	Widney	10½	...	...	...	...
414½	329	Williams Hldg	369	+2	...	4.3	19.9
54	39½	Wilshaw	52½	+½	...	1.4	21.4
975	705	Wolseley	860	+8	...	2.1	20.9
155	155	Wood (Arthur)	155	...	...	2.4	31.2
55	40	Wyko	52	...	...	1.2	...
96	70	Young (H)	71	...	...	5.8	75.9
		INSURANCE					
1493½	937½	Alex & Alex	1287½	...	...	5.2	...
2047½	1693½	Am Gen	1837½	...	...	4.1	...
86	50½	Archer	53†	...	...	2.4	...
165	89	Bradstock	98	...	...	7.2	11.1
550	370	Britannic	421	...	...	3.7	...
117	90	CLM Insce	91†	...	1.4	2.0	...
711	488	Com Union	545	-5	...	5.7	15.5
1950	1675	Dom & Gen	1725	-30	...	1.8	22.6
64	33	FAI	39	-1	...	1.3	...
194	144	Fenchurch Grp	155†	...	...	5.8	13.8
757	533	Gen Accident	602	+8	...	5.7	12.1
247	161	GRE	186	+1	...	5.1	25
457	298	Heath C E	304†	...	...	...	...
323	234	Independent Ins	239	...	...	4.3	8.6
203	128½	JIB Group	147	...	...	6.4	13.4
547	407	Legal & Gen	467	...	...	5.4	15.7
1390½	975	Liberty Life	1300	...	...	...	4.9
119	93	LIMIT	97†	...	...	1.3	∞
471	322	Lloyds Abbey	369	-2	...	6.1	10.9
310	166	Lloyd Thomp	171	...	7.1	5.2	10.6
168	159	Lombard Ins	166	...	...	...	9.7
443	313	Londn & Man	325	-3	...	6.0	16.2
472	380	Lowndes Lmb	384	-1	...	4.9	12.1
5893½	5337½	Marsh McLn	5562½	...	...	3.5	...
188	147	Nelson Hurst	156	...	...	4.5	15.6
129½	109	Oriel	115	-1	...	5.4	∞
83	38	PWS	38	...	...	0.9	...
3[illegible]	271	Prudential	312	-3	...	5.7	14.8
404	261	Refuge	283	+3	...	4.0	23.8
350	232½	Royal	259	+4	...	3.9	31.6
222	157	Sedgwick	172	...	...	4.4	14.4
155	105	Steel Burrill	117	...	...	...	...
87	54	Sturge Hldgs	60†	...	...	...	72.2
418	285	Sun Alliance	318	-4	...	5.6	14.5
96	51	Trade Indemnity	59	...	...	1.1	13.1
464	343	Transatlantic	364	+7	...	4.1	33.0
673	468	Utd Friendly	538	+3	...	3.8	27.6
245	133	Willis Corroon	142	-4	...	5.8	12.6
28	20½	Windsor	21	...	...	...	16.5
		INVESTMENT TRUSTS					
3058	1703	Alliance	1883	-7	...	3.1	...
479	401	Anglo & O'seas	434	-2	...	2.1	...
161	123	BZW Conv	144½	...	7.8	6.7	...
219	173	Bankers	190½	-1½	...	2.5	...
381	311	Baring Tribne	337†	-1	...	2.4	...
248	198	Berry Starq	220	...	2.2	1.2	∞
120½	91½	Br Assets	99	...	...	5.4	...
98	89	Br Empire Sec	95	-½	...	1.2	...
46	31	-do- Wnts	40	...	...	...	...
234	186	Br Inv	213	...	...	2.8	...
272	221	Brunner	246†	+4	...	2.7	...
227	194	Cont Assets	207	...	...	1.8	...
170	147	Derby Inc	170	...	...	12.1	...
328	268	-do- Cap	313	...	...	...	...
100	73	Drayton Blue	82	+1	...	12.8	...
111	84	-do- Eng Intl	99	...	...	1.0	...
156	128	-do- Far East	151	+1	...	0.6	...
784	613	Dunedn Inc G	671	-2	...	4.9	...
108	85	-do- Japan	100	...	...	...	...
80	45	-do- Warrants	59	...	...	...	...
341	292	Dunedin Smlr	312	...	...	3.6	...
827	725	-do- Wwde	794	+1	...	1.5	...
360	281	Edinburgh	314½	...	...	3.5	...
354	286	Electra Inv	325†	...	...	2.7	...
220	185	Electric Gen	202	+1	...	2.0	∞
127	106	English Scot	117	+1	...	...	...
345	286	European Asset	317†	+1	...	1.8	...
172	146	Finsbury 'A'	150	+1	3.0	2.5	...
343	276½	Fleming Amer	302†	-1	...	0.4	...
145	79½	Fleming Chinese	92	...	...	...	...
92	42	-do- Warrants	54	...	...	...	...
267	196	-do- Claver	216†	...	...	3.2	...
385	305	-do- Contl	348	+1	...	0.8	...
254	190	-do- Enrg	210	...	...	2.9	...
459	327	-do- F East	362	...	1.5	0.5	...
422	359½	-do- Fledg	374	+1	...	1.0	...
120	89	-do- Hi Inc	100	...	...	5.5	...
281½	223	-do- Japan	277	...	...	0.2	...
347	269½	-do- Merc	293	-1½	...	2.9	...
347½	280½	-do- O'seas	301	...	4.2	1.7	...
155½	126½	Foreign & Col	142	+½	...	1.5	...
148	106½	-do- Emg Mkts	127	+1	0.2	0.3	...
77	64½	-do- Enterprise	68½	+1	...	1.1	...
261	216	-do- Eurotst	244	+1	...	0.6	...
145	116	-do- German	136	+1	...	0.5	...
374	307	-do- Pacific	338	+1	...	0.6	...
192	159½	-do- Smaller	179	+1	...	1.4	∞
303	247	GT Japan	277	...	...	0.6	...
200	150	Genl Cons Cap	183	+2	...	...	...
115	105	-do- Inc	115	...	...	9.8	...
191	139	Govett Am Smlr	148	...	...	...	...
151	101	-do- Emg Mkts	124	...	...	0.3	∞
96½	80	-do- Global Smlr	81½	...	...	...	...
112	83	-do- High Inc	91½	-½	...	7.0	...
429	349	-do- Oriental	394	...	...	0.3	...
346	239	Govett Strategic	263	...	...	3.2	...
475	410	Greenfriar	417†	...	...	2.0	...
19	19	Gresham House	19	...	...	...	...
105	86	Herald	100	+1	...	...	...
99	92	Int Biotech	96	...	...	...	...
50	30	-do- Warrants	45	...	...	...	...
158	122	Inv Cap	137	...	...	4.7	...
119	94	I&S Uk Smlr	111	...	...	3.2	...
177	126	INVESCO Korea	144	...	...	...	...
243	196½	Kleinwort Chrt	217†	...	...	3.0	...
88½	75½	-do- Euro Prvt	81½	+1½	...	...	...
49	23½	-do- Euro Wts	30½	+1	...	...	...
272½	232½	-do- O'seas	245½	-1½	...	1.7	...
165	134	-do- Smlr	137	+1	...	3.2	...
826	672	Law Debenture	747	+3	...	3.3	...
227	190	Majedie	210	...	...	3.0	...
324	297	Merchants	273†	...	...	5.1	...
89	79½	Mercury Euro Pv	89	...	...	...	...
45	28½	-do- Warrants	31½	+1	...	...	...
126	98	-do- World Mng	111	-3	...	...	...
52½	35	-do- World Wts	38	-1	...	...	...
2987½	2250	Merrill Lynch	2425	+25	...	...	...
595	492	Monks Inv Tst	540	...	...	1.6	...
158	127	Morg Gren Inc	136	+1	...	4.1	...

High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
64	43	-do- Warrants	51	...	...	...	...
96	87	-do- Latin Amer	93½	+1	...	...	...
50	39	-do- Warrants	43	...	...	...	...
148	114	Murray Em	123	...	...	2.0	...
58	34	-do- Warrants	37	...	...	...	...
65	54	Murray Euro	60½	+½	...	0.6	...
23½	16	-do- Wts	18½	...	...	...	...
393	317	Murray Incme	352½	...	11.3	4.0	...
395	319	-do- Intl	353	-1	...	4.1	...
548	424	-do- Small	484†	+10	...	1.1	∞
97	82	-do- S/C Inc	91	...	...	15.0	...
174	135	-do- S/C Cap	148	...	...	...	...
3400	2975	-do- S/C Uts	3150	...	...	4.2	...
161½	153	-do- S/C DP	161½	+½	...	...	...
363	324	-do- Vent	330	+1	...	4.2	...
95	61	Nwthrog Inc	63	...	...	9.4	...
404	333	O'seas Inv Tst	373	...	...	1.1	...
241	179	-do- Warrants	205	+2	...	...	...
640½	433	Pacific Assets	510	+1	...	0.3	...
542	335	-do- Warrants	417	+3	...	...	...
9400	7900	Personal Assets	8050	...	195	3.1	∞
189	164½	RIT Cap Ptnr	181	...	...	1.0	...
127	114	River & Merc	116	...	...	10.1	...
449	413	Robeco	434	...	...	2.0	...
463	415	Rolinco	441	...	...	1.8	...
343	290	St Andrew Inv	312	...	...	3.1	...
153	150½	Scot American	167	-½	...	3.6	...
368	258	Scot Asian	274	+1	...	...	...
1070	663	-do- Warrants	738	+10	...	...	...
97½	77	-do- Eastern	86	-½	...	2.1	...
262½	209½	Scottish	231	...	...	2.7	∞
264½	205	-do- Mtge	232	-1	...	2.2	...
137	111½	-do- Value	119	...	...	2.0	...
1795	1520	Second Allnce	1655	-3	...	3.0	...
106	77½	Secs Tst of Scot	89	...	...	4.6	...
179	148	Selective Asset	159	...	...	1.1	...
51½	41	Sphere Inv	46†	...	...	0.2	...
205	149	TR Far East	167	+1	...	3.9	...
177½	133½	TR City Of Lon	149½	-1	...	4.0	...
124½	86	TR Pacific	109	...	...	0.2	...
43½	34½	TR Property	36½	-½	...	3.1	...
152	113	TR Tech Inv	130†	+1	...	1.7	...
228	182	TR Smlr Cos	204½	+1½	...	2.3	∞
412	310	Temple Bar	357	...	...	4.8	...
135	102	Thrgtn Asian E	110½	...	...	0.6	...
101	72½	Throgmorton	79½	-½	...	3.6	...
568	466	Throg Dual Cp	563	...	...	...	...
269	233	USDC Invest	254	...	...	2.2	...
129	109½	Value Inc Tst	120½	...	...	4.1	...
257½	205	Witan	230½	-1½	...	3.2	...
		LEISURE					
578½	417	Airtours	449	-10	...	2.5	15.6
40½	19	Ald Leis	24	...	...	15.6	7.8
177	155	Alpha Airpts	167	-2	...	3.0	∞
131	85	Baldwin	113	+7	...	3.9	14.8
333	267	Barr & W 'A'	287	...	...	4.4	12.7
335	231	Boosey Hwks	335†	...	...	1.9	20.2
205	133	Border TV	189†	+1	...	2.6	∞
7½	3½	Brent Walker	4	...	...	...	...
148	100	Bristol Scons	120	...	...	...	...
2½	2	Buckingham Int	2½	...	...	...	...
74	41	Campari	44	...	...	...	...
439	328	Capital Radio	372	...	...	2.1	32.8
1047	530	Carlton Comm	896†	-3	...	2.7	19.8
356	248	Castle Comm	353	...	...	3.2	22.3
175	114	Chrysalis	175	-2	3.2	2.3	...
374	305	Compass Gp	334	+2	...	2.5	19.7
290	232	Eurocamp	266†	...	0.9	4.7	11.0
213	118	Euro Disney	127	+7	...	...	...
4	2	Euro Leisure	3½	...	...	...	...
435	308	Fairline Boats	399	+1	...	3.7	27.8
350	262	First Leisure	289	...	...	2.9	19.1
476	309	Flextech	413	-1	...	...	...
1033	675	GWR Gp	918†	...	...	1.4	33.2
303	228	Grampian	285	...	...	3.3	15.2
22	15	Greenwich Comm	16	...	...	...	...
162	106	HTV Group	160	-2	...	0.8	44.2
96	62	Hi-Tec Sports	75	...	...	4.6	11.0
18½	11½	Kunick	13½	...	...	...	...
702	539	Man Utd	655	...	...	3.8	26.4
15	13½	My Kinda Town	13½	...	...	...	...
57	34	Northern	52	...	...	2.4	10.0
130	81	Owners Abrd	100	...	...	4.4	...
92½	65½	The Pelican Gp	90†	...	...	1.5	∞
183	147	Prism Leisure	147†	...	...	3.6	∞
43	29	Quadrant Grp	29	...	...	...	...
275	205	Ramsdens (R)	275†	...	...	2.0	39.6
628	395	Scot Radio	603	+9	...	2.2	23.6
574	355	Scot TV	411	...	...	3.8	∞
40½	24	SelecTV	26½	+½	...	...	...
350	296½	Stanley Leisure	333†	+1	...	2.0	∞
153	125	Sunset & Vine	129	...	3.5	3.4	19.7
345½	280	Tanjong	280	...	...	1.1	∞
2½	1½	Tickering	1½	...	...	...	14.7
108	75	Tottenhm Hot	108	+4	...	2.3	41.3
182	65	Trans World	180	+1	1.3	0.9	65.6
760	518	Ulster TV	589	...	...	3.2	22.1
150	129	VCI	144	...	...	4.8	12.9
149	112	Vardon	122	...	...	1.2	21.6
375	150	Yorkshire TV	315	+10	...	...	...
129	110	Zetters Gp	129	...	...	8.5	∞
		MINING					
3675	2509½	Ang Am	3590½	+3½	...	2.0	33.8
2687½	1762½	Ang Am Coal	2687½	...	...	3.4	14.6
6518½	4593½	Ang Am Gold	6384½	+3½	...	3.8	18.8
36	27	Anglo Pac Res	29	...	...	...	...
1512½	1262½	Ashanti	1303½	+3½	...	...	...
404	275	Bakyrchik	298	-2	...	...	...
184	90½	Blyvoors	138½	-4½	...	...	...
37	22½	Bracken	22½	...	...	3.9	63.4
898	580½	Buffels	637½	-7½	...	8.6	∞
6	2½	Bute	2½	...	...	...	...
931½	745½	CRA	895	+4½	...	2.4	27.8
55½	30	Cluff Res	47½	-½	...	...	...
100	28½	Coal Inv	100	...	...	...	...
1750	1610	De Beers	1668½	...	...	3.3	17.7
148	88	Deelkraal	100½	-3½	...	3.6	∞
74	30½	Doornfontein	65	...	...	...	...
967	665½	Driefontein	923½	-3½	...	4.7	∞
928	549½	Durban	763½	-15½	...	...	...
178½	107	E Rand Gold	151½	-3½	...	11.9	5.6
122½	59½	E Rand Prop	77½	+4	...	...	...
649	307½	Elandsrand	422½	+½	...	3.8	9.7
1239	741½	FS Cons	885½	-15½	...	7.9	9.0
62	27	FS Dev	52	...	...	...	...
1900	1193½	GFSA	1612½	...	...	2.2	30.5
178½	108½	Gencor	159½	-6	...	3.8	26.1
80½	53½	GM Kalgoorli	57½	+½	...	2.5	21.1
22	14	Greenwich R 'A'	15½	-1	...	...	...
202	105½	Grootvlei	152½	+3½	...	5.9	∞
416	319½	Harmony	355½	+½	...	...	...
430	268½	Hartles	311½	-6½	...	9.2	∞
1446½	831½	Impala Plat	1437½	...	...	1.7	52.0
16½	9	Kenmare Res	11½	...	...	...	...
1315½	890½	Kinross	949½	...	...	4.9	∞
898½	568½	Kloof	812½	-11½	...	4.0	∞
137	69½	Leslie	96½	+1½	...	5.4	∞
353	176½	Lorraine	253½	...	...	...	...
1137½	887½	Lydenburg	1137½	...	...	1.9	...
162	116	MIM	143½	...	...	1.7	60.0
1581	1227	Minorco	1550	-12½	...	2.5	18.6
201½	146½	Nth Brkn Hill	172½	+½	...	3.0	25.3
899	790	RTZ	873	-10	...	2.9	24.9
350	187½	Rand Mines	350	...	...	3.0	13.3
801½	547½	Randfontein	698½	+8½	...	4.6	∞
295	205	Renison	214	...	...	...	...
1531½	1078½	Rustnbrg	1421½	-15½	...	2.1	∞
756	539½	St Helena	637½	-7½	...	4.1	∞
2887½	1484½	Southvaal	1826½	-31½	...	4.6	21.0
135½	73	Sallsfontein	119	...	...	22.6	∞
160	90	Unisel	132	-3½	...	3.4	∞
7600	4943½	Vaal Reefs	5616½	-43½	...	4.6	9.1
934½	508½	Western Areas	609½	+8½	...	7.9	∞
3362½	2050	Western Deep	2721½	-21½	...	3.8	9.3
407½	307½	Wstrn Mining	351½	+1½	...	1.5	...
1225	603½	Winkels	690½	...	...	5.2	∞
66	50	Zambia Copper	57	...	...	...	...
68	48	Zandpan	53	...	...	9.5	∞
		MOTORS, AIRCRAFT					
283	233	Abbey Panels	283	...	...	...	...
115	108	Airflow Stream	110	...	3.0	3.4	16.5
175	131	Appleyard	131	...	...	5.2	23.1
405	315	Bletchley Mtr	315	...	...	3.9	12.7
243	180	Bostrum	231	...	...	3.2	21.8
584	340	Br Aerospace	514	...	...	2.0	45.1
57	44	Burndene	44†	...	...	5.7	12.8
465	280	Caliyns	315	...	...	4.6	21.2
22	13½	Caverdale	18½	-½	...	1.0	16.9
130	90	Central Mtr	99	...	...	4.4	24.4
51	32½	Cook (DC)	46	...	...	2.8	∞
348	249	Cowie	257	-2	...	4.0	14.1
192½	127	Dag Motors	155	...	...	5.0	17.9
158	113	Davnpt Vern	156	...	...	2.6	15.5
332	275	ERF	294†	-1	...	0.9	...
173	118	European Mtr	128	-5	...	4.2	13.4
539½	399	Evans Halshaw	443	...	...	3.7	18.7
310	235	FR Group	298	+3	...	3.2	16.3
2359½	1806½	Ford Motor	2037½	-12½	...	...	...
4387½	3175	General Mtr	3437½	-12	...	1.5	...
90	60	Gowrings	75	...	...	3.3	...
362½	266½	Henlys	291	+1	...	3.2	20.0
1239	918½	Honda Motor	1118½	+½	...	0.4	...
58	35	Jacks (Wm)	56	...	...	...	19.4
184	156½	Kwik-Fit	158	-1	...	3.0	18.1
573	412	Lex Service	412	-10	...	4.1	15.6
282	162	Lookers	240†	...	...	3.6	15.0
239	158	Lucas	203	-1	...	4.3	...
29½	25	Malaya Grp	25½	...	...	...	...
310	260	Pendragon	260	-1	...	3.5	18.5
238	175	Perry Gp	202	...	...	4.3	11.1
218	156	Quicks Group	177	...	...	3.5	18.6
204	161	Rolls-Royce	195	-3	...	3.2	24.4
261	203	T & N	257	-3	...	5.3	20.3
312	263	Trinity Hldgs	305	...	...	2.5	22.1
221	163	Vardy (Reg)	191†	-2	...	3.0	∞
		NEWS, PUBLISHERS					
355	198	Adscene	290	+20	5.7	2.5	29.7
335	320	Black (A&C)	325	...	...	5.2	13.8
403	228	Blenheim Gp	250	+1	...	5.1	9.5
413	365	Bristol	373	...	...	4.1	25.8
1660	1100	Daily Mail	1365½	...	...	1.4	32.0
1484½	868½	Daily Mail 'A'	1034½	...	...	1.8	24.2
305	260	Dorling Kind	305	...	...	1.4	27.6
6712½	5381½	Elsevier	6187½	+175	...	3.1	20.4
476	366½	EMAP	419†	+2	...	2.6	25.6
1975	1450	Euromoney Pb	1830	...	...	2.8	32.2
194	42	Harrington K	46	+1	...	13.3	3.0
515	328	Haynes Pub	440	...	...	2.0	24.8
408	340	Hodder H'line	353	...	...	1.8	57.5
180	120	Home Counts	147	...	...	3.8	36.0
218	161	Intl Bus Comm	213	...	...	1.2	14.0
15	8	Int Cm & Data	8½	...	...	...	...
340	273½	Independent	308	...	...	3.1	10.5
669	551	Johnston Press	582	...	7.0	1.5	21.4
110	43	MAID	80	-1	...	...	...
460	338	Metal Bulletn	460	...	...	2.7	26.7
177½	152	Midland Ind	160	+½	...	2.2	21.9
203	123	Mirror Gp	136	-2	...	...	5.3
514½	382½	News Corp	429½	+2	...	0.3	...
314	224	News Intl	243	+1	...	0.7	14.9
735	570	Pearson	633	-11	...	2.6	22.7
760	670	Portsmth Sund	688	...	...	1.9	∞
904	734	Reed Int	812	+14	...	2.9	24.6
249	187	Southnews	220†	-1	...	1.7	28.8
200	145	Sterling Pubs	147	...	...	3.1	12.3
622	323	Telegraph	366	...	...	4.4	13.4
885	695	Thomson Corp	715	...	30.1	5.3	35.4
472	394	Trinity Intl	400	...	...	3.0	19.8
45	18½	Unit Group	38	...	...	...	...
731	479	Utd Nwspaprs	538	-1	...	5.1	14.7
		OILS, GAS					
36½	34½	Aran Energy	36½	+1	...	...	22.1
53	35	Arcon Intl	47	...	...	...	...
74½	59	Aus Oil & Gas	69½	-1	...	...	...
67	45	Aviva Pet	45	...	...	...	...
9	6	Beveley	6½ #	...	...	...	64.6
249	197	Br Borneo	238	+1	...	3.7	12.3
358	253	British Gas	280	-½	...	6.5	...
430	340	Br Petroleum	404†	-6½	...	2.9	40.8
3½	1½	Bula Resources	2½ #	...	...	...	...
895	811	Burmah Castrl	877	-1	...	3.0	18.4
84	56	Cairn Energy	81	...	...	...	44.6
375	261	Calor Gp	291	...	...	5.4	14.9
51	33	Clyde Pet	44	-½	...	...	...
30	14½	Coplex Res	17½	-½	...	...	...
27½	17	Edin Oil & Gas	21	...	...	...	22.[illegible]
486	379	Enterprise	423	-13	...	4.7	26.3
26½	21	Fairhaven Intl	22½	...	...	5.4	9.3
8½	4½	Fortune	6	-½	...	...	...
77	54	Goal Pet	74	...	...	2.4	19.3
44	31	Gt Western Res	44	+2	...	...	...
177	142	Hardy O & G	147†	+1	...	0.9	16.9
55	40	Kelt Energy	47†	...	...	3.5	...
169	110½	LASMO	151	-5	...	0.8	...
73	53	-do- Units	59	...	9.4	20.0	...
9½	2	Mid Scot Res	2½	...	...	...	...
75	55	Monument	70	...	...	...	97.3
7½	4½	New London	4½	...	...	...	...

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50	36	Oil Search	42	+1	...	...	...
50½	17½	Petroz	38½	-½	...	...	...
168	153	Plcs Pet	163	...	...	...	...
111	100	[illegible]	111	+1	...	...	...
37½	21½	Premier	28½	-½	...	...	15.6
158	118	Presidio	128	...	...	5.2	...
463	325	Ranger	435	...	...	3.7	...
7700	6681½	Royal Dtch Fl	7312½	+6½	...	4.3	19.4
4084½	3481½	Schlumberger	3890½	-46½	...	2.0	...
58	50	Seafield	52	...	...	...	...
755	661	Shell	735	-5	...	4.1	22.3
187	129	Sunrise Eng Sv	129	...	...	...	...
16	9½	Viljers Grp	11	...	...	...	...
231	176½	Woodside	222½	+1	...	1.7	...
110	28	XCL	83	...	...	...	...
		PAPER, PRINT, ADVTG					
184	145	AG Holdings	147	+1	...	4.5	13.3
444	382	API	382	-2	...	2.8	24.0
316	237	Arjo Wiggins	289	-1½	...	2.8	44.4
738	540	Abbott Mead	682	...	...	1.9	31.2
28½	17½	Aegis Gp	27½	+½	...	...	...
205	145	Aspen Comms	170	...	4.9	3.6	∞
26	18	BBB Design	18	...	...	...	...
472	413	Bemrose	418	...	...	3.5	15.0
13½	7½	Birkdale	8	...	...	...	...
186	139	Bunzl	158	-2	...	3.2	21.2
169	117½	CIA Gp	147	...	...	1.5	23.8
179	129	Camtal Inds	157	...	...	...	12.4
36	33½	Chime Comm	33½	...	...	...	...
99	76	Cty of Lon	95	...	...	5.8	14.5
430	304	Cropper (Jmes)	312†	+3	...	1.4	15.7
114	80	Drvn Group	80	...	...	2.6	14.5
137	104	Dolphin Pack	122	-2	...	4.6	15.7
83	72	Dudley Jenkns	72	...	...	5.8	15.4
15½	12½	Elswick	13	...	...	3.2	14.3
101	75	Fairway Group	82	-4	...	5.3	16.5
430	358	Ferguson Intl	358	-2	...	4.4	15.3
145	139	Ferry Pick	139	...	...	5.5	...
227	188	Filofax	201	-1	...	1.1	10.8
17½	8	Finch	10	...	...	...	...
140	132	Gibbon Lyons	134	...	...	5.3	∞
275	171	Gold Greenless	178	...	...	3.8	∞
34	23	Goodhead	27	...	...	0.2	∞
30	15	Hunterprint	19	...	...	...	...
162	126	Intereurope	130	+1	...	7.5	11.2
281½	248	Jarvis Porter	264	...	...	2.5	19.0
33½	22	Lopex	29	...	...	1.1	32.8
431	344	More O'Ferrall	349	...	...	4.7	20.2
395	330	Osborne & Little	394	...	...	2.1	14.3
60	32	Osprey Comms	42	...	...	0.2	...
830	513	Portals	673	-9	...	3.0	19.7
3	1½	Premier Hlth	2½	...	...	...	...
339	282	Quarto	282	-1	...	3.7	15.4
412	322	St Ives Gp	364	+4	...	2.0	25.5
160	125	Saatchi	160	+1	...	...	32.4
812½	464½	Sappi	804	+16½	...	12.9	4.8
30½	18	Serif	25	...	...	...	...
57	20½	Shandwick	46	-½	...	1.2	...
573	398	Smith David	558	-10	...	2.4	∞
405	286	Smurfit (Jeff)	405	+9	...	1.3	57.7
119	97	Somic	97†	...	...	3.2	∞
254	210	Star-Plus	218	...	...	5.0	20.7
34	25½	Taylor Nelson	34	...	...	1.7	29.4
161	118½	VTR	130	-6	...	3.8	20.6
36½	25	WMGO	25	...	...	2.5	∞
129	89	WPP	111	...	...	1.1	15.9
264	182	Wace	238	+5	...	1.8	22.[illegible]
291	209	Waddington (J)	209	...	...	5.1	10.2
511	403	Watmough	428	...	...	1.9	27.1
44	29	Whitney Mck	39	...	...	...	...
132	98	Wyndeham	127†	...	...	2.2	18.4
		PROPERTY					
130	99	Allied Lon	105	...	...	4.4	13.9
48	36	Arcadian	36	...	...	...	...
267	253	Argent	264	...	...	...	...
10½	4	Ascot Hldgs	4½	...	...	...	...
144	109	Asda	118	+1	...	2.3	21.0
191	113	Avonside	125	+1	...	4.1	14.9
2575	2096½	BCE	2156½	+15½	...	...	...
382½	260	Bilton	260	-2	...	4.6	19.0
108	72	Bourne End	93	...	...	1.3	...
276	200	Bradford	233†	...	...	3.5	16.4
22½	10	Bredero	10	...	...	...	7.3
474	360	Br Land	420†	-7	...	2.2	40.6
137	123	Brightstone	123	...	...	3.8	27.9
276	179	Brixton	211	-1	...	4.7	18.4
118	90½	Burford	106	...	...	1.7	34.2
207½	125½	Cap & Regnl	157	+1	...	...	...
227	191	Cap Shop Ctrs	227	...	...	...	...
325	230	Cardiff Prop	318	...	...	1.0	...
185	152	Chelsfield	175	...	...	1.7	43.2
678	534	Chesterfield	534	...	...	2.8	24.0
84	36	City Site Ests	72	...	...	...	...
12½	8	Clarke Nickolls	9	...	...	...	18.8
350	285	Compco	310	...	...	5.5	∞
56	32	Conrad Rtsn GS	36	-2	...	...	...
1755	1458	Daejan	1535	...	...	2.4	17.7
25½	5	Dares Estates	11½	+1	...	...	...
156	103	Debenhm Twsn	117†	...	...	3.7	∞
17	6	De Morgan	7	+1	...	...	...
189	161	Dencora	169	...	...	2.4	47.5
347½	263	Derwent Hldgs	266	-2	...	2.1	23.7
41	24	Development Sec	24½	...	...	...	...
51	45	Dwyer	45	...	...	...	...
460	275	Estates Agency	425†	...	...	3.1	51.4
47	18	Estates Gen	28	...	...	...	...
132	100	Evans Of Leeds	114†	...	...	2.8	19.[illegible]
43½	22	Ex-Lands	32½	...	...	1.3	...
80	68	Fiscal Prop	69	...	...	...	...
37	24	Five Oaks	26½	...	...	0.9	...
78	64	Fletcher King	64†	...	...	2.9	∞
536	407	Frogmore	447	...	...	4.6	19.[illegible]
325	228	Grainger	280	...	...	2.4	50.0
260	174	Gr Portland	201	-1	...	5.0	36.3
22½	12½	Greycoat	15½	...	...	...	...
269	149	HK Land	179½	+3	...	0.5	∞
94	43	Hambro Cntyw	51	+2	...	1.8	51.5
435	329	Hammerson	351	...	...	3.6	35.2
390	298	Helical Bar	368	...	...	2.0	14.7
40½	29½	Hemingway	30	...	...	...	...
78	37	Herring Baker	51	-1	...	...	...
315	138	Jermyn	175	...	...	...	...
792	588	Land Sec	665	-5	...	4.5	19.9
122	90	Lon Merch Sec	96†	...	...	5.5	14
16	9	Lon & Metro	10	...	...	...	...
562	409	MEPC	472	...	...	5.3	27.[illegible]
12½	6½	McInerney A	7	...	...	...	...
190	164	McKay Secs	186†	...	...	3.5	∞
51	50	Merivale Mre	75	...	...	...	...
55	25	Moorfield Est	25	...	...	...	...
1425	1200	Mountview	1250½	...	...	...	...
156	154	Mucklow (A&J)	162	+1	...	...	...
59	32	OEM	32	...	...	...	...
64	37½	Olives Prop	40	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	1	ORB	...	...	...	...	...
197	146	PSIT	161†	+2	...	3.6	∞
300	265	Peel	265	...	...	2.1	∞
12½	4½	Power Corp	5	...	...	...	...
54	33	Raglan	36	-1	...	...	...
40	27	Regalian	29½	...	...	...	...
150	140	Rowlinson Secs	175†	...	...	1.3	11.7
134	115	Rugby Est	115	...	...	2.4	...
64	45	St Modwen Prp	50†	...	...	3.0	20.9
78	59	Saville Grdn (J)	65	...	...	5.3	∞
100	79	Savills	81†	...	...	3.5	∞
108	82	Scot Met	87†	+1	...	2.3	...
135	108	Shaftesbury	109	...	...	...	...
17½	8	Shield	8	...	...	...	4.2
307	221	Slough Estates	260	+1	...	3.9	42.[illegible]
103	63	Southend Prop	67†	...	...	4.5	∞
50	23	Stanhope Prps	26	...	...	...	...
34	24	TBI	30	...	...	...	2.1
244	182	Tops Ests	192†	...	...	1.4	45.[illegible]
163	119	Town Centre	120	+1	...	3.6	21.5
107	91	Trafford Park	97	...	...	3.9	21.[illegible]
58	28	UK Land	41	...	...	...	...
317	231	Warner	243	+1	...	5.9	21.0
260	216	Warnford	221	...	...	4.3	15.[illegible]
7½	1½	Waterglade	2½	...	...	...	...
103½	67	Wates	74†	-1	...	...	...
105	70	Wood John D	80†	...	...	3.1	∞
		SHOES, LEATHER					
45	31	Automagic	41	...	...	...	...
202½	148	Lambert	148	...	...	6.3	6.5
75	53	Pittards	66	...	...	1.9	...
26	19	Strong & Fisher	19	...	...	6.6	13.0
250	227	Stylo	237	...	...	2.1	22.4
69	50½	UK Safety	52	...	...	6.2	10.9
		TEXTILES					
617	494	Allied Text	494	-2	...	3.5	15.0
71	56	Beckman (A)	58	...	...	7.7	12.4
39½	16	Bolton Gp	17†	-1	...	...	...
17½	5½	Brackenbridge	9½	...	...	...	...
226	171	Br Mohair	193	+1	...	5.8	21.9
385	292	Claremont Ga	313	+3	...	3.2	16.5
593	451	Courtauld Text	484	+2	...	3.7	19.2
159½	119	Dawson	152	+1	...	2.5	...
42	31	Drummond	32	...	...	...	14.2
80	72	Faupel	74†	...	...	8.3	12.5
29	24	Foster (John)	27	...	...	...	...
168	113	Gaskell	140	...	...	3.8	...
33	25½	Helene Plc	27½	...	...	9.1	11.3
249	222	Hicking Pntcst	246	...	...	2.3	17.4
73	55	Jerome (S)	62	...	...	1.0	31.4
495	388	Lamont	393	...	...	4.0	15.0
340	265	Leeds	266	+1	...	2.5	13.6
101	68	Lyles (S)	78	...	...	4.4	...
266	190	Parkland	196	+1	...	3.2	11.7
112	80	Readicut	83½	-1	...	5.1	14.3
70	47	SEET	48	...	...	...	...
146	100	Sirdar	101	+1	...	6.7	7.0
64	50	Stirling Gp	60	...	...	4.0	∞
46	34	Stoddard	36	...	...	5.6	13.6
330	260	Tomkinsons	260	...	...	5.5	24.5
49	34	West Trust	36	...	...	4.3	23.6
280	239	Yorklyde	262	...	...	2.9	12.7
		TOBACCOS					
570	472	BAT	446	-14	...	5.9	11.3
489	337	Rothmans	373†	-2	...	4.4	19.0
		TRANSPORT					
313½	228	Assoc Br Ports	267	+3	...	2.2	25.4
1083	880	BAA	960	-12	...	2.3	30.5
128	103½	Badgerline	114	...	...	4.5	...
406½	369	Br Airways	430	...	...	3.2	13.5
108	75	Clarkson (H)	81	...	...	2.7	20.3
902½	259	Eurotunnel Uts	329	+1	...	...	...
87	55	Fisher (James)	55	...	...	...	...
155	126½	IoM Steam	145	...	...	3.5	11.1
63	39	Jacobs (J)	48	...	...	4.3	...
111	92	Lon O'Seas Frs	92†	...	...	0.5	7.[illegible]
594	380	Mersey Docks	455	-3	...	2.5	22.9
338	245	Nat Express	327	...	...	2.9	20.3
291	170	NFC	199†	...	...	4.4	30.6
348	246	Ocean Group	270	...	...	6.6	13.3
91	58	Ocean Wilson	70	...	...	5.7	9.0
743	597	P & O Dfd	667	+2	...	5.5	24.5
188	153	P & O 5 1/2%	188	...	...	3.7	...
705	549	Powell Duffryn	596†	-2	...	4.9	16.0
102	84	Seacon	86	...	...	3.4	19.[illegible]
236	159	Stagecoach	190	...	...	2.7	∞
125½	85½	TNT	125½	+½	...	...	...
915	803	Tibbet & Britn	865	+5	14.2	2.1	25.[illegible]
79	27	Tiphook	30	-4	...	...	...
327	217	TDG	231	-1	...	5.1	15.5
132	96	Ugland	121†	...	...	0.8	∞
160	95	Utd Carriers	99	...	...	...	...
		WATER					
607	442	Anglian Water	543†	+5	...	5.2	14.1
365	293	Mid Kent Hdgs	294	-1	...	4.9	9.9
751	506	Northumbrian	636†	+4	...	4.9	8.[illegible]
611	454	North West	550†	+5½	...	5.2	8.2
645	457	Severn Trent	567†	+11	...	5.0	6.0
642	460	Sthrn Water	584	+15	...	4.9	5.4
1628	1525	Sth Staffs	1625	...	...	4.0	10.8
675	484	South West	516†	+4	...	6.2	7.6
611	434	Thames Water	517†	+5	...	5.4	5.9
744	546	Welsh Water	633†	+11	...	5.0	7.0
759½	551	Wessex Water	626†	+7	...	4.7	9.0
630	456	Yorkshire W	535†	+13	...	5.5	8.1

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BRITISH FUNDS

High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
		SHORTS (under 5 years)				
104	100	Exch 12¾% 1994	100½ †	...	12.42	4.91
103	100½	Treas 9% 1994	101	...	8.91	5.42
107	102	Treas 12% 1995	102	...	11.66	5.65
98½	97½	Gas 3% 1990-95	98	...	3.05	5.36
107	103	Exch 10¼% 1995	103	...	9.89	6.29
113½	107½	Treas 12¾% 1995	107	-	11.87	6.63
117	109	Treas 14% 1996	109	-	12.75	6.82
121	113	Treas 15¼% 1996	113	-	13.48	7.10
117	109	Exch 13¼% 1996	110	-	12.04	7.14
112	104	Conv 10% 1996	105	-	9.50	7.44
121	111	Treas 13¼% 1997	112	-	11.78	7.60
114	105	Exch 10½% 1997	106	-	9.87	7.72
110	101	Treas 8¾% 1997	102	-	8.55	7.80
131	118	Exch 15% 1997	119½	-	12.55	8.03
114	104	Exch 9¾% 1998	104	-	9.29	8.09
106	96½	Treas 7¼% 1998	97	-	7.44	8.07
102	94	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	95	-	7.05	8.10
131	117	Treas 14% 1998-01	118	-	11.86	8.35
140	124	Treas 15½% 1998	125½	-	12.36	8.17
125	112½	Exch 12% 1998	113	-	10.62	8.33
118	105	Treas 9½% 1999	104	-	9.09	8.28
		MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)				
101	89	Treas 6% 1999	91 †	-	6.57	8.17
128	113½	Exch 12¼% 1999	114	-	10.70	8.43
121	106½	Treas 10½% 1999	108	-	9.69	8.39
121	105½	Conv 10¼% 1999	107	-	9.53	8.39
116	101½	Conv 9% 2000	102	-	8.76	8.43
136	119	Treas 13% 2000	120	-	10.82	8.61
106	90	Treas 7% 2001	92	-	7.58	8.42
122	104	Treas 10% 2001	106 †	-	9.36	8.62
123	103½	Treas 9¾% 2002	106 †	-	9.17	8.66
113	94	Treas 8% 2003	96	-	8.28	8.54
127	105	Treas 10% 2003	108	-	9.21	8.54
129	110½	Treas 11½% 2001-04	115	-	10.16	8.91
86	71	Fund 3½% 1999-04	73	-	4.77	7.29
105½	85	Treas 6¾% 2004	88½	-	7.61	8.41
125	103	Conv 9½% 2004	106	-	8.93	8.56
125	103½	Conv 9½% 2005	106½	-	8.90	8.53
143	119	Treas 12½% 2003-05	122	-	10.20	8.90
111½	93	Treas 8% 2002-06	95	-	8.36	8.60
112	91½	Treas 7¾% 2006	94½ †	-	8.19	8.48
136	113½	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	116	-	10.07	8.91
119	96	Treas 8½% 2007	100	-	8.50	8.50
151	125½	Treas 13½% 2004-08	129	-	10.43	8.89
124	101	Treas 9% 2008	104	-	8.63	8.47
		LONGS (over 15 years)				
115	93	Treas 8% 2009	95	-	8.34	8.47
126	101	Conv 9% 2011	104	-1	8.58	8.44
127½	101	Treas 9% 2012	105½ †	-	8.55	8.43
93½	72½	Treas 5½% 2008-12	79½	...	7.25	8.18
114½	91½	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	94½	-1½	8.23	8.35
117	92	Treas 8% 2013	96	-1	8.30	8.38
159½	127½	Exch 12% 2013-17	132	-	9.09	8.58
128½	99	Treas 8¾% 2017	104½ †	-	8.41	8.34
		UNDATED				
54	39	War Ln 3½%	41	-	8.38	...
37½	27	Treas 2½%	29½	...	8.41	...
		INDEX-LINKED				
203½	107	Treas IL 2% 1996	198½	+	2.89	4.11
113½	106½	Treas IL 4⅝% 1998	107	+	2.96	3.73
170½	163½	Treas IL 2½% 2001	164½	-	3.49	3.80
173½	159	Treas IL 2½% 2003	160	-	3.50	3.91
118½	107½	Treas IL 4⅜% 2004	108	-	3.58	3.80
184	165	Treas IL 2% 2006	166	-	3.61	3.85
168	149½	Treas IL 2½% 2009	151½	-	3.67	3.89
175½	154½	Treas IL 2½% 2011	156 †	+	3.71	3.90
146½	126½	Treas IL 2½% 2013	128½ †	...	3.72	3.90
157	134½	Treas IL 2½% 2016	136	-	3.75	3.91
152	128	Treas IL 2½% 2020	131	-	3.77	3.92
139	106½	Treas IL 2½% 2024	109	-	3.75	3.88
126	105½	Treas IL 4⅛% 2030	108	-	3.78	3.92


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Severance is price to be paid to avoid inordinately long fraud trials

Regina v Kellard
Regina v Dwyer
Regina v Wright

Before Lord Justice Farquharson, Mr Justice Gatehouse and Mr Justice Scott Baker

[Judgment July 29]

In any large fraud case or any case of potentially unusual length it was the duty of the prosecutor to consider carefully before the preparatory hearing whether the case could properly be tried in parts rather than as a whole and to review the evidence and decide how much of it, even though relevant, could be withheld in the interest of time and clarity.

A solution could often be found by consultation with defence counsel and an agreed proposal for severance being submitted to the trial judge. Prosecution counsel must be reconciled to the fact that their case might be weaker as a result of being split into a number of trials, but that was the price that had to be paid to avoid a trial of inordinate length.

The length of a trial was not in itself a sufficient ground for finding that convictions were unsafe and unsatisfactory. The correct approach was to consider whether its length created a situation in which a fair trial was impossible.

The Court of Appeal so stated when dismissing the appeals of Peter James Kellard, Edward John Dwyer and John Leslie Fitzwalter Wright against their convictions on February 6, 1992 at Nottingham Crown Court (Mr Justice Potter and a jury) on a 29-count indictment charging fraudulent trading, obtaining or attempting to obtain pecuniary advantage or property by deception, making a false statement to induce investments, making a false representation to creditors, procuring the execution of a valuable security, furnishing false information, theft and false accounting.

Kellard was convicted of 19 counts and was sentenced to a total of four years imprisonment and disqualified as a director for five years; Dwyer, who had pleaded guilty to 10 counts was convicted of a further six counts and was sentenced to a total of two and a half years and was disqualified as a director for five years; Wright was convicted of five counts and was sentenced to a total of six months and disqualified as a director for three years.

Mr Douglas Day, QC and Mr Roger Offenbach for Kellard; Mr David McEvoy, QC and Mr Benjamin Nicholls for Dwyer; Mr Nigel Mylne, QC and Mr Stephen Clayton for Wright; Mr Timothy Barnes, QC and Mr Collingwood Thompson for the Crown.

LORD JUSTICE FARQUHARSON, delivering the judgment of the court, said that the essence of the case against the appellants was fraudulent trading in that they carried on the business of certain companies with the intention of defrauding creditors.

The indictment reflected three groups of charges. The first group contained the fraudulent trading charges; the second comprised the various counts which alleged offences of deception employed to raise funds or to extend overdrafts; and the third, except for one count of theft, related to the conduct of Kellard and Dwyer at the time of or immediately prior to the appointment of a receiver, when it was alleged they were engaged in a process of asset stripping.

The main complaint of the appellants on their appeals against conviction was that having regard to its length, it was not possible to have a fair trial. Their Lordships were informed that the case bore the ignoble distinction of being the longest criminal jury trial in English history. The weight of that complaint was illustrated by some of the relevant statistics.

The appellants were arrested at the end of September and the beginning of October 1988. In June 1989 the case was transferred to Nottingham Crown Court under section 4 of the Criminal Justice Act 1987. The indictment originally charged eight defendants on 44 counts.

A number of preparatory hearings took place, the most important being on February 12, 1990. The trial began on September 10, 1990 against the three appellants and two others but was not completed until February 6, 1992, a period of 17 months. The court did not sit on every working day but did so on 252 of them. The prosecution case lasted until June 26, 1991. Legal submissions followed and Kellard's case was opened on July 8, 1991.

The court did not sit in August and the defences of all three appellants closed on October 29, 1991, followed by counsel's speeches, which were completed on December 9, 1991. The court adjourned until January 6, 1992 to enable the judge to set about the Herculean task of preparing his summing up, which actually began on January 8 and lasted 11 days.

The consequence of that chronology was that some important witnesses gave evidence over a year before the summing up began. Furthermore, the jury were sent out to consider their verdicts more than seven weeks after they had heard counsel's speeches and three months after the evidence was completed. The appellants also claimed that the interruption of the trial by a number of holidays caused the presentation of the case to be disjointed.

The main thrust of the argument before the court was that in those circumstances an intolerable strain was imposed upon all those taking part in the trial, including the judge, jury, lawyers and perhaps above all the appellants.

At the preparatory hearing on February 1, 1990 one count against a fourth defendant was severed from the indictment: one count was quashed and a further 14 counts were severed or ordered to remain on the file on the usual terms, leaving a total of 29 counts to be tried.

It was conceded that all the fraudulent trading counts should be tried together but defence counsel submitted that the third group, the asset stripping counts, should be severed and tried separately.

The judge was sympathetic to that application but counsel for the Crown pointed out that the evidence on those counts would be admissible to prove the fraudulent trading counts even if the two groups were severed from each other and he would call that evidence. There would therefore be no saving of time. The judge accordingly made no order.

It should have been and no doubt was at that stage appreciated by all concerned that the hearing would take a very long time indeed. Counsel for the Crown suggested three months, and counsel for the defence six months. It was of course more difficult for prosecuting counsel to be accurate as unlike his colleagues he did not know how much of the case would be in issue.

Counsel for the Crown had made some criticism of the attenuated form of the case statements of Kellard and Dwyer but their Lordships were satisfied that there was good reason for that.

It was, however, appropriate to make the point in passing that when a judge made any order under section 9(5)(i) of the Criminal Justice Act 1987 the defendant must, as the statute required, give the court and the prosecution a statement in writing setting out in general terms the nature of his defence and indicating the principal matters on which he took issue with the prosecution.

It followed that a mere traverse of the prosecution case would not be of much assistance. The purpose of the section was to enable the court and prosecution to be put on notice of the issues to be tried and for the case to be prepared and conducted accordingly.

It appeared that no further attempt was made in September 1990 to estimate the likely length of the trial. In their Lordships' view that should have been done immediately before the trial commenced and had it been done on a detailed basis projecting specific periods for speeches and individual witnesses it would quickly have been apparent that the trial could not have been anywhere near completed within six months.

That in turn would have required the Crown to give serious consideration to how the case might be shortened. A further advantage of a detailed projected estimate was that when slippage occurred it quickly became apparent to everybody.

As a result of what appeared to be the ever increasing length of criminal trials, the Court of Appeal had from time to time exhorted both judges and counsel to present the case to the jury in as clear and simple a manner as possible. *Dicta* in *R v Simmonds* ([1969] 1 QB 685), *R v Novac* ([1977] 65 Cr App R 107), *R v Thorne* ([1978] 66 Cr App R 6), *R v Landy* ([1981] 72 Cr App R 237) and *R v Cohen* (unreported) showed that in a potentially long criminal case a heavy responsibility lay upon the trial judge and counsel, in particular prosecution counsel, to ensure that it remained manageable and of a dimension that enabled it to be presented clearly to a jury.

The judge's powers in that area were restricted. The Indictments Act 1915 gave him the right to sever the indictment in an appropriate case but he could not prevent the prosecution calling relevant evidence save for the well known common law and statutory exceptions.

It was for prosecution counsel to decide what evidence he should call and it was for that reason that he was in the best position to decide the shape of the case.

The difficulty over recent years as appeared from the authorities had been the reluctance of prosecution counsel to cut down the size of the case by failing to agree to the severance of certain counts and by calling evidence which although admissible on the remaining counts was not essential to prove them.

Presumably counsel feared that if they did not call all the relevant evidence available to them, the accused might be unjustly acquitted. However, in their Lordships' judgment it was the duty of prosecution counsel to review the evidence in a long case and decide how much of it, even though relevant, could be withheld in the interest of time and clarity.

Furthermore, when the judge was minded to sever the indictment it was not appropriate for prosecution counsel to frustrate the judge's purpose by calling the evidence supporting the severed counts on the basis that it was relevant to those remaining.

In their Lordships' view it was essential that in serious fraud cases all parties should strive to give effect to the purpose of the Criminal Justice Act 1987, which was to narrow the issues to be tried, not to extend them.

Points as to admissibility of evidence should be taken less readily than in trials of more convential crime. Counsel on both sides should by the time of the preparatory hearing be in a position to agree uncontentious areas of evidence and should ensure that only essential witnesses be called and that their evidence be restricted to what was perceived to be necessary.

Whatever might have been the cause there was no doubt that the trial was one of excessive length. The appellants argued that coupled with the complexity of the issues the time taken to try the case was such that all the convictions were unsafe and unsatisfactory.

The first question to be decided was whether the length of the trial in itself was a sufficient ground for characterising the convictions as unsafe or unsatisfactory. Their Lordships were firmly of the opinion that it was not.

If it were otherwise cases would have to be tried within a time limit. The correct approach was to consider whether the length of the trial created a situation at any point where a fair trial was not possible, that is, whether any feature of the case tended to establish that any of those taking part in the trial were by reason of its length unable to discharge their function.

The most important of those concerned in the trial were the jury. If they were unable to understand the evidence or the directions they received were not reliable or accurate, there would be grounds for saying that the convictions were unsafe, but it was evident that the jury had manifested no such incapacity.

It was clear that counsel for the Crown had had an extraordinary grasp of the case, that issues raised by the defence were clearly pointed out by defence counsel, and that the judge's summary and presention of the evidence was such that the jury must readily have understood it and notwithstanding its length there was no danger of their being confused.

It could scarcely be gainsaid that the case was complex but that complexity lay in the detail and the amount of evidence which was called. The issues were clear enough, namely whether the appellants in the particular matters alleged against them in the indictment had acted dishonestly and the question of dishonesty was one which a jury was particularly qualified to resolve.

For those reasons and notwithstanding the prejudice to the appellants caused by a trial of the length of that in the present case, their Lordships were of the opinion that that ground of appeal must fail, as did the other specific grounds raised by each appellant.

Solicitors: Offenbach & Co; The Smith Partnership, Derby; Crown Prosecution Service, Head Office.

Evidence in common enterprise

Regina v Gray
Regina v Liggins
Regina v Rowlands
Regina v Ridings

Before Lord Justice Glidewell, Mr Justice Blofeld and Mr Justice Buxton

[Judgment July 29]

Where a conspiracy was not charged, the principle, that where two persons were engaged in a common enterprise the acts and declarations of one in pursuance of that common purpose were admissible against the other, applied to the commission by two or more people acting in concert of a substantive offence or a series of offences and was limited to evidence which showed the involvement of each of the defendants in the commission of the offence or offences.

The Court of Appeal, Criminal Division, so held in allowing appeals by David John Gray, William James Liggins, Catherine Mary Rowlands and Mark Riding against their convictions in June 1992 at the Central Criminal Court (Judge Laughland, QC and a jury) of dealing in securities knowing of unpublished price sensitive information and/or communicating such information to another while being a prohibited person, contrary to section 1(4) and 1(8) of the Company Securities (Insider Dealing) Act 1985.

Miss Clare Montgomery for the Gray, Mr Roderick Price for Liggins, Mr Peter Lodder for Rowlands and Mr Paul Spencer for Riding, all counsel assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals; Mr Peter W. Clarke and Mr Philip Katz for the Crown.

THEIR LORDSHIPS, reading the reserved judgment of the court in turn, said that the four appellants were charged with offences of communicating unpublished price sensitive information and dealing with knowledge of such information in the shares of three companies: Rank Hovis McDougall plc, Hawthorne Leslie Group plc and Pleasurama plc. At the conclusion of the evidence for the prosecution, the judge held that none of the defendants had a case to answer on the Pleasurama counts and in due course directed the jury to find them not guilty on those counts.

On appeal they submitted, *inter alia*, that in respect of all the counts against all the appellants the judge wrongly admitted evidence which was inadmissible because (a) it concerned only the Pleasurama transactions, on which he had ruled there was no case to answer; or (b) it was evidence relevant only to the RHM counts and not the Hawthorne counts and was thus not admissible against Mr Liggins who was not concerned in the RHM transactions; or (c) it was evidence of conversations which were admissible only against the parties to those conversations and not against any other person.

The Crown case was that there was in effect a network of those four appellants who were ready and willing to pass inside information between themselves. They did so in order to try to make money which they referred to as "personal spice". The Crown relied particularly on the speed with which they communicated inside information to each other and on the fact that the buying and selling was on occasions not done through their normal brokers.

Mr Clarke submitted that (i) if there was evidence that a group of persons had agreed to seek to achieve a common objective, and (ii) individual members of the group were charged with substantive offences allegedly committed in pursuit of that objective then (iii) any evidence of acts done or statements made by one of the group which tended to prove furtherance of the agreement was admissible on the trial of any such substantive offence, (iv) whether or not the particular defendant was present when the acts were done or the statements were made.

In their Lordships' judgment the authorities came nowhere near supporting a principle of law so widely expressed.

They had not found it easy to discover any clear statement of the principle asserted in paragraph 33-48 of *Archbold, Criminal Pleading Evidence & Practice* (vol 2 (1994)) and similarly in paragraph 25-10 of *Phipson on Evidence* (14th edition (1990)) in the authorities they cited, that where the charge was one of a crime committed in pursuance of a conspiracy, whether the indictment contained a count for conspiracy or not made no difference to the admissibility of the act or declaration against the defendant.

Their Lordships were strongly supported in their conclusion that there was no such wide general principle by the judgments in *R v Dawson and Wenlock* ((1960) 44 Cr App R 87) and *R v Griffiths* ([1966] 1 QB 589) where the Court of Criminal Appeal were of the opinion that the effect of including the conspiracy count in the indictment was to render admissible against Wenlock and against the seven farmers evidence which on the substantive counts was not admissible against them.

If there were such a broad principle of the law of evidence as that for which Mr Clarke contended, that opinion would not have been correct.

However, counsel for the appellants accepted and the court agreed that there was a narrower principle of the law of evidence which was expressed in the first sentence of paragraph 25-10 of *Phipson*: "Where two persons are engaged in a common enterprise, the acts and declarations of one in pursuance of that common purpose are admissible against the other."

The court had sought to make it clear that in their judgment the principle set out in paragraph 25-10 of *Phipson*, where a conspiracy was not charged, applied to the commission by two or more people acting in concert of a substantive offence or a series of offences, and was limited to evidence which showed the involvement of each of the defendants in the commission of the offence or offences.

Even, however, if the principle was wider than that, it would be necessary for the prosecution to formulate, and for the judge and jury clearly to understand, the nature and limits of the agreement in pursuit of which the specific offences were alleged to have been committed.

In their Lordships' judgment (i) the evidence of the conversations about Pleasurama was not admissible against any of the defendants on any of the counts remaining against them on the general basis on which it was introduced; and (ii) the judge was in error in allowing the record of all the Hawthorne and RHM conversations to be admitted in evidence against all the defendants on all counts, without any direction as to which parts of the conversations were admissible in respect of individual defendants.

Solicitors: Solicitor, DTI.

Direct effect of EC article on dismissal pay

Mediguard Services Ltd v Thame

Before Mr Justice Morison, Mr A. C. Blyghton and Mr K. M. Young

[Reasons July 29]

Compensation for unfair dismissal constituted "pay" for the purposes of article 119 of the EC Treaty, so that an industrial tribunal had jurisdiction to entertain a claim for such compensation by a part-time employee, notwithstanding that she did not have the qualifying period of continuous employment required by domestic legislation.

The Employment Appeal Tribunal so held when giving reasons for dismissing on June 16 an appeal by the employers, Mediguard Services Ltd, from the decision dated May 19, 1994 of a Bristol industrial tribunal determining, as a preliminary issue, that it had jurisdiction to hear a complaint of unfair dismissal by the employee, Brenda Thame.

Article 119 of the EC Treaty provides: "Each member state shall ... maintain the application of the principle that men and women should receive equal pay for equal work.

"... 'pay' means the ordinary basic or minimum wage or salary and any other consideration ... which the worker receives, directly or indirectly, in respect of his employment from his employer."

Miss Joanne Connolly for the employers; Ms Caroline Underhill, representative, for the employee.

MR JUSTICE MORISON said that throughout her employment, from October 1989 to February 1994, the employee had worked more than eight but less than 16 hours a week. Accordingly, by reason of domestic law, she did not have the requisite five years of continuous employment to entitle her to bring a claim for unfair dismissal.

It was common ground that the qualifying condition was indirectly discriminatory on the ground of sex; that there was no objective justification for such discrimination; that the condition was incompatible with the equal treatment directive (76/207/EEC) (OJ 1976 L39/40) and that, because the employers were not an organ or emanation of the state, the employee could not rely directly on the directive.

She could, however, rely directly on article 119 of the EC Treaty if she could establish that compensation for unfair dismissal was "pay".

It seemed quite clear to the appeal tribunal that compensation for unfair dismissal was consideration received by the former employee, albeit indirectly, from his former employer in respect of his employment.

The payment essentially fulfilled the purpose stated in *Barber v Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Group* (Case C-262/88) ([1991] 1 QB 344), which established that redundancy pay was "pay", and repeated in *Kowalska v Freie und Hansestadt Hamburg* (Case C-33/89) ([1992] ICR 29), namely, a payment made with a view to enabling the former employee to adjust to the new circumstances arising from the termination of his employment.

It was, like a redundancy payment, but unlike the payment in *Kowalska*, payable by reason of a statutory provision. But, as was held in *Arbeiterwohlfahrt der Stadt Berlin eV v Botel* (Case C-360/90) ([1992] ECR I-3589), the payment did not need to be made under the contract; it might arise from the application of statutory provisions. What was important was that the former employee received it "in respect of his employment".

Having heard the arguments, in the judgment of the tribunal, the answer to the question raised by the appeal was *acte clair*, so that it was unnecessary to ask the European Court of Justice to give a ruling on the matter.

Solicitors: Mr Robert Ward-Jones, East Grinstead; Avon and Bristol Community Law Centre.

Power to place time limits on witnesses

Vernon v Bosley

In a proper case, the court had the power and a duty to achieve finality in its proceedings by placing a fair and realistic time limit on the examination, cross-examination and re-examination of witnesses.

Mr Justice Sedley so held in a reserved interlocutory judgment in the Queen's Bench Division on June 13 in fixing the times for cross-examination and re-examination of five expert witnesses still to give evidence in a case with an original time estimate of six weeks which had already substantially over-run.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the plaintiff claimed damages for psychiatric trauma and consequential loss caused by having witnessed the death by drowning of his two daughters in 1982 through the admitted negligence of the defendant.

At the end of the original time estimate the plaintiff was still in the witness box.

The point had come at which it was not only realistic but necessary in the interests of justice to lay down a timetable for the remaining evidence.

The limits were not cast in bronze but if they were reached in circumstances in which it was apparent that fairness required them to be extended, the court would retain the power to extend them.

In that way the court would retain its overriding discretion to ensure that justice was not impeded by excessive rigidity.

Exercise of that power meant that instead of the customary process by which the length of a trial was determined by the length of counsel's examination of witnesses, the time taken in the examination of witnesses became a segment of the time allocated for trial in the light of the anticipated needs of the case.

Reasonable to copy but not take papers

T v T (Interception of documents)

Where in financial proceedings, a wife reasonably believed that the husband would understate his resources, it was reasonable for her to take photocopies of documents but it was not reasonable for her to break locks to obtain documents, keep back original documents or to intercept the husband's mail.

Mr Justice Wilson so stated in the Family Division on July 22 in a chambers judgment, reported with his Lordship's consent, relating to a wife's application for financial provision.

HIS LORDSHIP said that he was satisfied that the husband had not made a full disclosure of his resources and that had been made clear by the documents photocopied by the wife.

The wife had anticipated such non-disclosure and it was reasonable for her to take photocopies of documents she could locate without the use of force.

However, the wife had gone too far in that she had broken locks, intercepted mail and kept original documents.

The delivery of the husband's documents through solicitors was unacceptable.

The documents taken by the wife whether originals or copies were discoverable and should have been disclosed on delivery of her questionnaire.

The wife had suppressed her possession of some documents until just prior to the hearing.

His Lordship would not accept the submission that the wife's activities amounted to conduct which would affect the substantive award but the activities should, *prima facie*, have some relevance in respect of costs.

The extent of relevance would depend on the potency of other factors, in particular the husband's non-disclosure. Although the wife's activities might not have caused a significant increase in the costs the court's discretion was wide enough to permit their inclusion in its survey of the litigation.

Power to dismiss counterclaim for inaction

Roger Max Owen Associates v Beamish and Another

Before Mr Justice Otton

[Judgment July 29]

The High Court had sufficient jurisdiction, both on a correct interpretation of the Rules of the Supreme Court and under the inherent jurisdiction of the court, to dismiss a counterclaim for want of prosecution.

Mr Justice Otton sitting in the Queen's Bench Division so held giving a reserved judgment in open court after a hearing in chambers in which he dismissed an appeal by the defendants, Valerie Beamish and Graham Pugh, against the dismissal by Master Creightmore of their counterclaim against the plaintiffs, Roger Max Owen Associates, for want of prosecution.

Mr Andrew Goddard for the defendants; Mr Andrew Moran for the plaintiffs.

MR JUSTICE OTTON said that while there was no rule which expressly provided that the court had power to stay, discontinue or dismiss a counterclaim, such a provision was unnecessary and redundant as the power existed under the Rules of the Supreme Court as a matter of interpretation, principle and logic.

It was inherent in the nature of a counterclaim as could be seen from, for example, Order 15, rule 2 and Order 18, rule 18.

So far as practicable, the counterclaim was promoted to the position of a statement of claim endorsed on a writ of summons. Thus a defendant could apply for summary judgment on a counterclaim: see Order 14, rule 5.

His Lordship was satisfied that if a defendant in the conduct of a counterclaim failed to comply with the rules applicable to a plaintiff in the conduct of the action the same sanctions had to follow.

After consideration of the *dictum* of Lord Denning in *Allen v Sir Alfred McAlpine and Sons Ltd* ([1968] 2 QB 229, 245C) and *Zimmer Orthopaedic Ltd v Zimmer Manufacturing Co Ltd* ([1968] 1 WLR 1349) his Lordship was also satisfied that the court in the exercise of its inherent jurisdiction could strike out a counterclaim.

Solicitors: Masons; Squire & Co.

Policeman mistaken over arrest of person he restrained

Kerr v Director of Public Prosecutions

A policeman was not acting in the course of his duty for the purposes of section 51(1) of the Police Act 1964 while restraining someone under the mistaken belief that that person was under arrest.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Butler-Sloss and Mr Justice Macpherson of Clumy) so held on June 23 when allowing the appeal by way of case stated of Nikki Tracey Kerr against her conviction by Newquay Justices on September 24, 1993 of assaulting a police constable in the execution of his duty, contrary to section 51(1) of the 1964 Act.

The policeman, mistakenly believing that the defendant had been arrested by another officer, restrained her by holding her arm. She had struggled and had struck the officer.

MR JUSTICE MACPHERSON said that a mistaken belief was not enough to drive the court to find that the policeman had acted in the course of his duty. While there was no doubt that the policeman had been exceeding his powers it was with reluctance that the finding was made.

LORD JUSTICE BUTLER-SLOSS, agreeing, said that the CPS might consider again Lord Donaldson's advice in *Bentley v Brudzinski* ((1982) 75 Cr App R 217) of prosecuting in the alternative for common assault.

Meanwhile the defendant had been charged with the wrong offence and was entitled to have her appeal allowed.

Legal consequences of arrest of vessel

The Anna H

Before Lord Justice Glidewell, Lord Justice Hoffmann and Lord Justice Hobhouse

[Judgment July 27]

The International Convention Relating to the Arrest of Seagoing Ships 1952 required only that the legal consequences of judicial detention of the ship were that it became security for a maritime claim and did not require that the plaintiff's commercial motives were to obtain security.

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment in dismissing an appeal brought by the defendants, the owners and/or demise charterers of the ship Anna H against the dismissal by Mr Justice Clarke on November 22, 1993 ([1994] 1 Lloyd's 287) of their application to set aside *in rem* proceedings brought by the plaintiffs, the owners of the cargo laden on board the ship.

Mr Luke Parsons for the defendants; Mr Jonathan Hirst, QC and Mr Dominic Kendrick for the plaintiffs.

LORD JUSTICE HOFFMANN, agreeing with the judgment of Lord Justice Hobhouse dismissing the appeal, said that until 1982 an English court assumed jurisdiction, whether *in personam* or *in rem*, on the ground that the person or thing against which the action was brought had been duly served with the writ or other originating process.

In relation to persons domiciled in member states of the European Union, that basic principle of jurisdiction was radically altered by the Convention on Jurisdiction and the Enforcement of Judgments in Civil and Commercial Matters 1968, which had the force of law by section 2 of The Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments Act 1982. The general principle was, however, subject to the provisions of the 1968 Convention which contained a number of exceptions under article 57. That included the 1952 Convention.

The United Kingdom and two other members of the European Union were parties to the 1952 Convention. The primary purpose of the 1952 Convention was to agree on the circumstances in which a ship flying the flag of one contracting state could be arrested in the jurisdiction of another contracting state.

In summary, it was agreed that the right of arrest should exist only in respect of maritime claims, contrary to the previous law in certain continental countries, but should extend to sister ships, contrary to the previous law in the United Kingdom.

But article 7 also dealt with the jurisdiction of the country of arrest to determine the merits of the claim. The reason for that article was that some countries, notably France, declined to assume jurisdiction solely on the ground that the ship had been arrested within their territory. In the United Kingdom service on the ship to establish jurisdiction was a precondition of a valid arrest.

Thus article 57 and the 1952 Convention preserved the jurisdiction of England as "the country in which the arrest was made" when, among other cases, it had jurisdiction under its domestic law. The difficulty about that exception, as the cargo owners discovered in *The Deichland* ([1990] 1 QB 361), was that in order for England to be the country in which the arrest was made, there must have been an arrest.

But in English domestic law, jurisdiction depended not upon arrest, but upon service. It was therefore common practice for the owners or P & I Club to obviate the need for arrest by giving security for the claim and undertaking to accept service.

The Deichland decided that the plaintiff could not bring himself within article 57 and the 1952 Convention unless there had actually been an arrest. Lord Justice Stuart-Smith offered cargo owners some practical advice. If they wanted to establish jurisdiction, they should either arrest the ship or insist upon an undertaking to give security and not merely to accept service but to submit to the jurisdiction in terms which complied with articles 17 or 18 of the 1968 Convention.

In this case the cargo owners followed that advice. Their claim arose from a shipment of steel on the Anna H in December 1990. On September 17, 1991 their solicitors gave notice of the claim to the solicitors representing the owners' P & I Club and invited them to give security and submit to the jurisdiction of the English court.

The owners offered security for the judgment of a competent court but refused to submit to the English jurisdiction. Instead they tried to navigate between the Scylla of arrest and the Charybdis of submission by resorting to the antique ceremony of entering a caveat against arrest under Order 75, rule 6 of the Rules of the Supreme Court. For that purpose they issued a *praecipe* containing an undertaking on behalf of the owners to acknowledge issue or service of the writ and to give bail. The caveat was duly entered on September 19, 1991.

On November 7, 1991 the plaintiffs' solicitor learned that the vessel was due to arrive at Garston. As he had been given no undertaking to submit to the jurisdiction, he decided to arrest the ship. He then discovered the caveat. But a caveat did not prevent an arrest: see Order 75, rule 6(2) of the Rules of the Supreme Court.

It merely laid the ground for a summary application under rule 7 for discharge of the warrant and payment of compensation if the plaintiff could not show a good and sufficient reason for the arrest.

So the plaintiffs' solicitor had the ship arrested anyway. Then, presumably satisfied with the undertaking in the praecipe to give bail, he released it after an hour without obtaining further security.

The owners duly gave bail and acknowledged service. They then issued a summons under Order 12, rule 8 of the Rules of the Supreme Court to set aside service of the writ on the ground that the owners were domiciled in Germany and therefore could be sued there.

The plaintiffs relied upon article 57 of the 1968 Convention and the 1952 Convention. They said that, having learned the lesson of *The Deichland*, they arrested the ship and so brought themselves within article 7 of the 1952 Convention.

The defendants countered that by unveiling the purpose of their strategy in entering a caveat. They said that while what happened at Garston might have been a perfectly good arrest under English law, it was not an arrest within the meaning of the 1952 Convention which defined "arrest" as "the detention of a ship by judicial process to secure a maritime claim, but does not include the seizure of a ship in execution of or satisfaction of a judgment".

The question was whether the 1952 Convention required only that the legal consequences of judicial detention of the ship should be that it became security for a maritime claim or whether it required that the plaintiff's commercial motive had to be to obtain security.

His Lordship thought the first meaning was correct. He did not accept that under the 1952 Convention this country undertook an obligation in international law to ensure that a plaintiff who arrested a ship did not have sufficient other security. The purpose of the 1952 Convention was to harmonise the laws of the contracting states as to the kinds of claims which could form the basis for an arrest and the words "to secure a maritime claim" were part of the scheme to prevent the use of arrest for securing other kinds of claim.

Lord Justice Glidewell agreed.

Solicitors: Dabelstein & Passehl; Clyde & Co.

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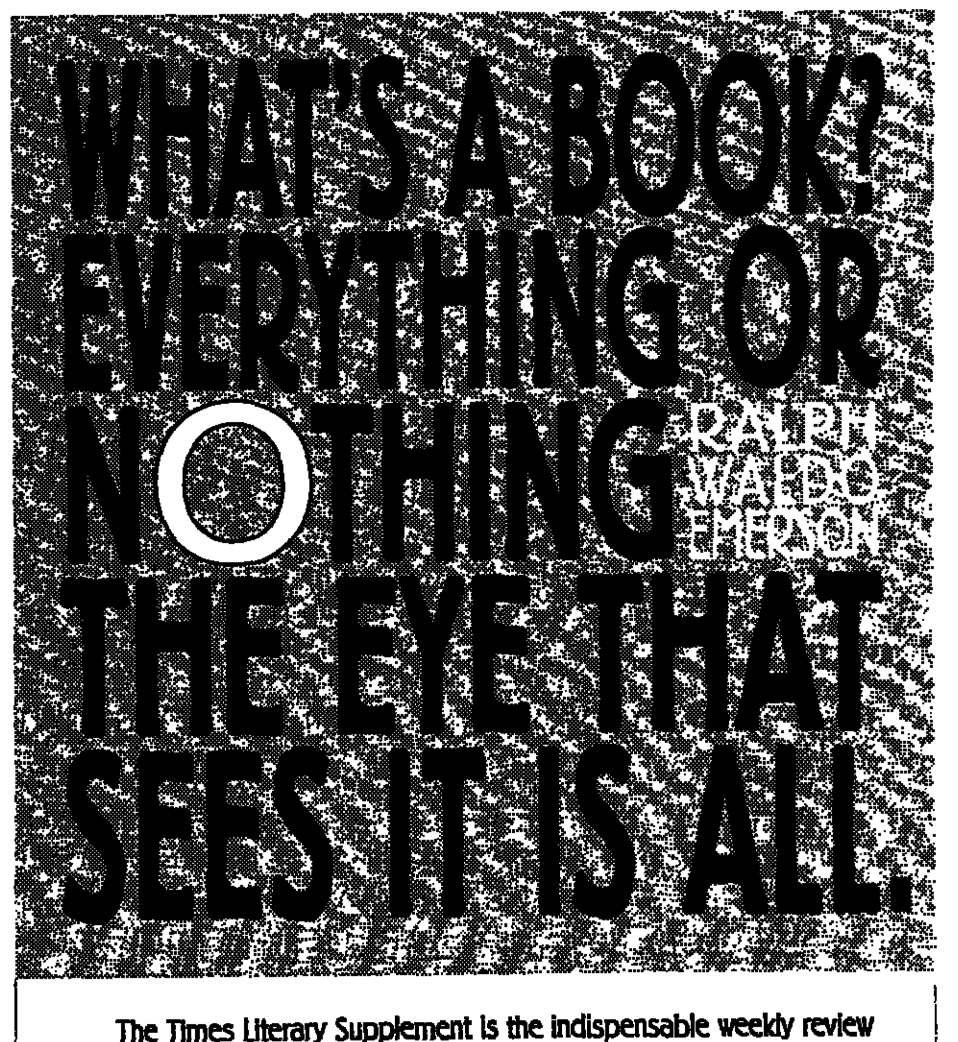
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THEATRE: **Benedict Nightingale** at the RSC

Jung man's guide to fairyland

Years ago, Peter Brook transformed the Royal Shakespeare Theatre's stage into a vast white box from which trapezes dangled, ready for Oberon's flying circus. Recently, Robert Lepage filled the Olivier with brackish water and thin yellow light for his mudbath *Dream*. We should not, then, be too discombobulated by the ugly red room, stripped of everything but a door at the back and a children's swing to the side, which Adrian Noble and his designer, Anthony Ward, start by offering us. These days Theseus — and the stage directions say that the play opens in his palace — lives in some odd places.

Visually, the production (sponsored by Allied-Lyons) is minimalist and vaguely surreal. Chunky door-frames materialise in the forest rather as the Tardis did in *Doctor Who*. As for the forest, that consists of hovering yellow lightbulbs, the occasional airborne parasol, scuttling humanoids in bright muslins with matching hairdos, and a blue wall with yet more doors. It is all very far from fairyland as the Brothers Grimm or, for that matter, Shakespeare conceived it; but then Oberon, too, has got less house-proud of late.

Why the doors and all the rushing in and out of them that duly ensues? You hardly need ask. People are passing from waking to dreaming, consciousness to subconsciousness, ignorance to self-discovery. A better question is whether Noble's staging opens fresh doors on the play and its characters; and my answer must be that, for all its excellences, no, it doesn't. It is a pleasant, well-acted production, but beside Brook and Lepage not particularly original or searching.

The first scene sets the mood nicely. Stella Gonet's luxurious Hippolyta, in silver-grey cloak and red-feathered skirt, sits indolently on her swing. Alex Jennings's Theseus, accoutred in grand gold robes, deals confidently with the problem of Hermia, in Emma Fielding's performance a most hapless, forlorn figure. And off the two royals go to prepare for their nuptials, Hippolyta looking just a bit miffed by her fiancé's tough handling of the lovelorn girl, only to return with their cloaks cast off, transformed into the Fairy King and Queen.

This doubling has become common nowadays, and is often more than a way of saving money. The actors are required to suggest that Theseus is deeply uneasy with the Amazon queen he subdued and she is even uneasier with him. They slip into the dream-roles of the openly quarrelsome Oberon and Titania in order to work out their conflicts at some subliminal level. It is of course an idea that owes more to Jung than to Shakespeare, but it can help to unify the play as well as bring out something dark and disturbing at its heart.

But, rightly or wrongly, Noble opts for a more cautious, conventional approach. His Theseus and Hippolyta seem pretty happy with each other and his Oberon and Titania don't. Gonet is a light, mocking Fairy Queen and Jennings a proud, sensual Fairy King, callous in pursuit of his obsession. When Titania tells him she cannot give him the Indian boy he covets because his mother, her votaress, died in childbirth, he gives a satisfied smile. Anything that causes her pain is fine by him. Anything that upsets him is all right by her.

These are good performances, as are those of the lovers. Toby Stephens and Kevin Doyle, playing Lysander and Demetrius, switch their infinitely switchable emotional allegiances with panache; Emma Fielding's Hermia makes a nice transition from passive to active verb, vulnerability to anger; and Haydn Gwynne's Helena plays some amusing variations on the dog-imagery with which Shakespeare has lumbered her. She looks more like an Afghan hound than the spaniel she promises Demetrius she will be, but she still bounds with canine enthusiasm. When he orders her to leave him, "*Stay*, on thy peril", he sounds like Barbara Woodhouse suppressing a pup.

There are several such mildly amusing touches, and a few hilarious ones, mostly from Des Barrit. His bulky, domineering Bottom can only afford to run a motorbike — the costumes tend to the modern — but that does nothing to stem his belief in his own value. He has a self-important frown that does much both for his Pyramus and, indeed, for his furry-eared ass. Suddenly his mouth starts to emit heehawing noises and his feet to clomp about, and he can do nothing about either.

I must admit to a slight dip of the spirits when Theseus's palace made its inevitable return, but by then there had been plenty to enjoy and one surprising thing to admire. The RSC has been much criticised of late for its handling of verse. Well, I don't think I've heard the rhythms of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* handled with such unostentatious care. The solution for those oppressed by that ghastly red room is simple: shut your eyes and listen.

A Midsummer Night's Dream
RST, Stratford

DONALD COOPER



Enchanted wood? Alex Jennings (top), Kevin Doyle, Toby Stephens, Emma Fielding in Adrian Noble's new production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* at Stratford

Baroque rivalries

Stephen Pettitt reports from Paris on two contrasting approaches to the performance of Baroque opera

There is a battle almost to rival the 18th-century *Querelle des Bouffons* abroad in Paris. Its two principal players are the most distinguished interpreters of France's glorious musical heritage of 17th- and 18th-century opera. In the red corner, Marc Minkowski and his group Les Musiciens du Louvre, whose relationship with the recording company Erato has recently ended. In the blue corner, William Christie and Les Arts Florissants, who have ended theirs with Harmonia Mundi.

Minkowski has signed up for Deutsche Grammophon's Archiv label, until now lacking an artist specialising in this repertoire; Christie has taken his place at Erato. The talk of the town is about who was pushed, who jumped, who did the pushing.

There is also much discussion about who is the finer interpreter: the young French pretender or the reigning francophile American monarch. The two have different approaches to recordings. Christie prefers to do his on the tail end of fully-fledged productions. Minkowski's debut for Archiv, Rameau's great *tragédie-lyrique*, *Hippolyte et Aricie*, was recorded at two live concert performances — he prefers it that way — in the 18th-century Opéra Royal theatre of Versailles recently.

The first of Minkowski's performances, rapturously received, showed him impetuous, liable to extremes of speed in either direction and to superfluous gesture. Sometimes that affected tightness of ensemble, and occasionally his control of the singers was not absolute; there were moments when underlying pulse was nearly lost. But he has a good sense of style, and here relished Rameau's colours and melodic inventiveness.

He was well served by his cast, headed by the radiant Véronique Gens as Aricie and by the marvellous *haut-contre* (high tenor, not falsetto) of Jean-Paul Fouchécourt as Hippolyte. Bernarda Fink's Phèdre was powerful, angry, passionate and tortured, while Thérèse Feighan was an eloquent Diane, and Russell Smythe an heroic Thésée. Those macho gods Pluto, Neptune and Jupiter were all assigned to the imposing and resonant voice of Laurent Naouri, and Annick Massis oozed charm as L'Amour in the Prologue, for a change completely relevant to the ensuing drama.

I saw Les Arts Florissant's performance of Charpentier's *Médée* (1693), likewise an arguable though still not widely recognised masterpiece, in Caen. This was the whole show, a lavish and brilliant production by Jean-Marie Villégier first given in 1992 and revived here by Christophe Galland. Subsequently they have made their second recording of the piece.

The opera was set in a vast brown-bricked, semi-circular chapel designed by Carlo Tommasi and evocatively lit by Bruno Boyet — the visual elements resemble the designs by Jean Berain for the first production, drawings of which survive. With a large chorus and dance troupe and two casts, no expense was spared.

Lorraine Hunt's powerful portrayal of the ruthlessly passionate character of Médée inevitably dominated the evening. How refreshing to hear a voice at once strong and rich enough, I suspect, even to take on Isolde, yet also rhythmically flexible and stylishly aware.

Other excellent performances came from the lithe-voiced, equally passionate Mark Padmore in the demanding *haute-contre* role of Jason, from Bernard Deletré, who gave as convincing and distressing a mad scene as one could wish for as Créon, and from Jean-Marc Salzmann as Oronte.

Under Christie's well-balanced direction the orchestra of young players gave a stylish, immaculately rehearsed but spontaneous account of this rich score. Chorus and dancers were also well drilled; movements and gestures, though in keeping with the style of the period, were at the same time natural and fluid.

TELEVISION: **Joe Joseph** on the abiding fascination of a louche loser

Here's to a Lucky break

Perhaps the key question about Lord Lucan is not whether he is alive and well and living as a farmer in Botswana, or as a busker in Catford, but whether anybody would care what had happened to the alleged murderer if he had happened to have been an unemployed plumber who bungled an attempt to murder his wife and then fled.

This would at least offer a novel angle on the media commemorations of Lucky Lucan's two decades as a fugitive — or, depending on your theory, as food for the fish in the English Channel, or possibly even Elvis's butler in Hawaii.

Last night's episode of *True Stories*, **Dead Lucky?** (Channel 4), tried to steal a march on the other sleuths who are preparing films, mock trials, books and, who knows, maybe even tabloid newspaper competitions, about Lucan's vanishing. They called Roy Ranson out of retirement and put him back on the Lucan trail that he first sniffed dry 20 years ago as a Scotland Yard detective.

Since television crews have more funds than Scotland Yard to track down criminals, the idea was that Channel 4 could finance the search that the police could not then afford to pursue. They would fly Ranson to wherever Lucan's trail now led: quite a smartish wheeze for idea-hungry television companies, and not only because it raises the possibility of a new post-*Crimewatch* generation of police-crime TV. Also because Ranson, former Detective Chief Superintendent, may be the best-placed man to catch Lucan.

Lucan's nanny was hammered to death — allegedly by the gambling earl, who apparently mistook her for his estranged wife. But she was not the only casualty of the Lucan saga.

Ranson's life, too, has been blighted by his failure to trap the fugitive who told his discreet circle of fellow ex-Etonian friends after the murder that he was "going to lie doggo for a while".

Ranson has kept Lucan's photograph in his breast pocket ever since the day in November 1974 when the Countess Lucan ran, hysterical and blood-stained, into the Plumbers Arms in Belgravia and screamed "He's murdered my nanny." Ranson's wife Irene says he even dreams about Lucan.



Lord and Lady Lucan on their wedding day — after the murder he told friends that he was "going to lie doggo"

From what we know of the playboy aristocrat, a likely theory for his continuing disappearance may well be the pleasure he takes in imagining Ranson squirm from breakfast to bedtime.

After trawling over the known facts, *Dead Lucky?* tested some hypotheses and sightings. Had Lucan done the honourable thing and tipped himself over the edge of the Newhaven-Dieppe ferry? Frankly, he did not seem all that honourable a chap, and anyway bodies have to be weighted with 3cwt of ballast to keep them lying doggo on the seabed. Lucan would have washed up somewhere by now.

Some think he washed up, alive, somewhere in southern Africa, possibly Botswana. Ranson and his crew went to Botswana. There were supposed sightings, but there have been supposed sightings all over the shop for years. Ranson has a suitcase full of letters from whackos claiming to have spotted Lucan. Ranson spoke to a few of the spotters, but found no trail hotter than an ice lolly.

This was where the trouble set in. After spending all that cash flying Ranson from this continent to that, it was hard to toss away the results — "Hey guys, had it worked we would have been heroes. But as it didn't, let's try something else, like who *really* killed Kennedy." So what we ended up with was an interesting recap of the story so far, minus the revelations we were promised. Now if someone would only make a documentary about why a louche toff entangled in crime still fascinates us after so long, that might be *really* gripping.

DANCE: Games with a serious purpose

Bright ideas in a twilight zone

Pretty Ugly
Queen Elizabeth Hall

OXYMORON is obviously the name of one of Amanda Miller's games. *Pretty Ugly* is the title of a key work (the big hit of her first London programme, given at the Queen Elizabeth Hall on Wednesday); Pretty Ugly is what she calls her group, too; and much of its performance took place in what Milton described as "no light, but rather darkness visible".

Pretty Ugly in *Pretty Ugly* is in fact neither pretty nor ugly, but a clash of mighty contrasts. A stage one-half lit, one-half darkness, with the diagonal divide concealing, until later on, some hazardous structures (set design by Miller and Seth Tillett). Men chasing each other around the edges of the stage in runs and jumps; a woman walking slowly on and off again to the same tempo in the thumping rock score by Peter Scherer and Arto Lindsay. The woman mostly goes her own quietly voluptuous way, but sometimes mocks, joins or leads the men's percussive movement. Building the movement almost entirely on a clockwise rotation, forwards in the light, back in the dark, Miller achieves a strong tension which she accentuates by an often powerful pace. Bodies bump together, and the piece ends suddenly with a man appearing about to run right off the front of the stage.

A whole evening of this might prove too much, but perhaps the opening work, *Two Pears*, goes too far in the other direction. Music again by Arto Lindsay (played live this time) sets out a slow-paced day: birds and planes overhead, a pulse like that of breaking waves in the distance. The dancers move about as if aimlessly, picking up enigmatic objects and moving them, sometimes relating to each other but not often.

I was surprised to read in the programme reference to a country outing of lunatics and a revival of the Roman atheist Lucretius. These movements, in semi-darkness, did not feel so specific.

The other work given, *Night by Itself*, lay happily between the two extremes. Again the situation is that of a group, on a seashore. John Zorn's music is more gentle; the movement varied. Miller sometimes make her dancers pull faces or utter sounds, but as parts of the action rather than for narrative.

This *Night by Itself* is more luminous than its sister pieces. In this and *Pretty Ugly* Miller stakes her claim to serious attention for her work, and pulls it off.

JOHN PERCIVAL

PROMS 1994: A re-creation of the Wagner Night takes too long to get off the ground

The bleeding chunks prove painful

BBCNOW/Otaka
Albert Hall/Radio 3

ACCORDING to the excellent research notes (by David Harman) in the programme for the Wagner Prom on Wednesday, the overture to *Tannhäuser* was performed an appalling 103 times in the first ten seasons of the Proms alone, and that was on top of a further 40 performances of a fantasia based on themes from the opera. Monday night soon became institutionalised as Wagner Night at the Proms, and so it continued until Wood's death in 1944.

In recent decades, the notorious "bleeding chunks" that made up those programmes have given way either to complete Wagner acts or to different repertoire altogether. So Wednesday's programme was very much an echo of a bygone era. A pity only that it was not given to a conductor and orchestra more at home with the music than Tadaaki Otaka and the BBC National Orchestra of Wales.

Part of the problem may have been the Albert Hall: both its lack of air-conditioning and its acoustics. From the other side of the auditorium, the cellos launching the Dawn music from *Götterdämmerung* were drowned by trombone chords. There were other problems too. It seemed to take an eternity for this sun to rise, and as it did so one was conscious that the music was not in the blood of players or conductor. As Siegfried took his leave of Brünnhilde, his progress had a fey quality that suggested a title more like Siegfried's Waltz Down the Rhine.

The *Tannhäuser* overture itself had begun unpromisingly with Otaka injecting an excessive degree of piety into the Pilgrims' March. The frenzied Bacchanale, however, was properly orgiastic, and the afterglow delectable.



Anne Evans: taking too long to get into her stride

It was an interesting idea to move without a break from the Act III prelude to *Tristan* (as poignant as it is probably possible to get in a performance divorced from the dramatic context) into the *Wesendonck Songs*. The latter share both musical and literary motifs with the opera, and here Otaka did well to make them intimate without crushing their fragile structures beneath the metaphysical weight of the greater work.

Anne Evans sounded ill at ease in both the Songs and the Immolation Scene from *Götterdämmerung*. The artistry was there, the usual concern for phrasing more spasmodically so, but in each work it took an uncomfortably long time for this great soprano to get into her stride.

BARRY MILLINGTON

POP ON FRIDAY: Ear-splitting plans for the South Bank . . . Gil back on form . . . and a voice in a million


ADRIAN BROOKS

Plectrums out for some of the biggest chords on earth: guitarists rehearse for Monday's performance of *Warehouse of Saints: Songs for Spies* at the Queen Elizabeth Hall

Night of the 101 guitars

A stage packed with amateur electric guitarists: aural hell or heaven? **Rosie Millard** previews the noisiest event of the year

One hundred and one people are sitting in a dingy North London hall listening to an American man with a 1970s haircut standing on stage and enthusiastically issuing instructions. Each person is clutching an electric guitar. Most have pony-tails; many are wearing leather jackets. Women are only a token presence. This is a serious guitar scene.

"Who can read music?" asks the man on the stage, composer Rhys Chatham. He looks around hopefully. A few hands go up. The majority of the audience look back blankly. "Do you know the joke about how to shut a guitarist up?" one whispers over to me. "Put sheet music in front of him."

Yet by Monday this scratchy ensemble of rockers will not only have grasped the basics of written music; they will be on the stage of the Queen Elizabeth Hall in London, performing Chatham's *Warehouse of Saints: Songs for Spies*, a "symphony" specially written for 101 electric guitars. Chatham will be conducting Britain's largest ever "guitar orchestra" for two nights only on the South Bank.

It is every budding rock star's dream and every parent-of-a-budding-rock-star's nightmare. The 101 guitars will be connected to 101 amplifiers, all blasting out a vast shimmering electric wail of abstract harmonics for 70 minutes.

Recruited via advertisements in the music press and on local radio, the hand-picked orchestra have come from all over Britain to take part in this musical extravaganza that has already wowed audiences from Berlin to Brisbane.

Part contemporary, part rock, the piece was written by Chatham two years ago. A classically trained New Yorker who began to compose music at the age of 14, he admits that his tastes were hijacked at a formative age by the Ramones and Metallica. "My father was a harpsichord player, and so I started off in the early 1970s tuning harpsichords for artists such as Paul Jacobs and Glenn Gould," says Chatham, a soft-spoken man whose mild-mannered air is somewhat hard to reconcile with an admitted passion for the likes of AC/DC.

His early work, which depended on a refined ability to tune and hear harmonics, involved composition in "just" intonation: focusing on the overtones, the "notes between notes" that tuners are trained to hear.

"But in 1976, when I was 24, I went to CBGB's [a celebrated New York venue] for my first ever rock concert. It was the Ramones," confesses Chatham, with a giggle. "It was great — their music was so similar to the stuff I was doing! I was composing with only one note, and they were playing with only three chords. I saw I could integrate the energy from rock into the minimalist pieces I was composing. But you can amplify a guitar, so that the overtones which normally only a trained tuner can pick up can be heard by everyone. And I longed to play in rock spaces, with rock musicians, and to rock audiences."

So Chatham dumped the harpsichord and began to get into the guitar in a big way. "I brought everything I had learnt before to this energetic music. My favourite groups became Black Sabbath, Iggy Pop, Metallica and AC/DC. I love their energy. Yes, it's very adolescent, but I love what they do with the guitar."

However, as every true rocker knows, bigger is always better. Fed up with composing for merely six or seven Fenders, and as part of a dare, Chatham wrote a piece for 101 of them. The experiment was a critical success; and thus began a travelling circus of vast guitar concert experiences that has rolled around the world since 1989.

"Tenors, room one," shouts Chatham in the rehearsal room. Thirty guitarists get up and shamble off to room one. "Sopranos, stay here. And altos, go upstairs." The idea behind the work is that the "orchestra" is divided into three sections, each tuned separately to a different note. On the night, the whole thing comes together and makes a harmonic sound which is, it is hoped, pleasing to the ear. "Only about half the people here have to read music," says Chatham. "They are all at different levels and they sometimes bring along dreadful guitars. But the important thing is that they are enthusiasts."

Burly men stride past carrying boxes full of three-pin-plug extension leads. The vast amount of electricity needed means that the QEH has had to be fitted with an extra generator.

"I think this is gonna be deafening," says David Bird, a graphic designer from south London who is playing in the tenor section. "And uplifting. Will I be struggling with it? No, I don't think so. I used to be in a punk band in the 1970's called the Eponymous Heroes. I'll be OK."

"There are so many guitarists here," confesses one soprano. "If people with egos get into it, they could mess it up. Guitarists are notorious as far as egos are concerned."

"It's like being at school again," says a dreadlocked man with the word "LICK" affixed to the body of his guitar. "All in different classes with our teachers. And you can't be late. But it's an experience, man."

"I'm really glad I got in," says student Mihai Cucos. "When I went for the audition, all I could hear were these other people playing like Eric Clapton. I only played three chords, but they said I could do it. What will it sound like? I dunno. Velvet Underground times a hundred, I guess."

Not if Chatham has his way. "Everything they tell you about loud music is true," says the composer, who has suffered from tinnitus since 1988 and had a year of semi-deafness due to over-enthusiastic playing of the guitar. "I will advise everyone not to play their guitars too loudly."

He might have a problem. The orchestra, comprising ex-Siouxsie and the Banshees guitarists, intense, wild-haired students, bearded rockers, ukelele experts, Guns N' Roses fans, and people who admit simply to playing on their own in their bedrooms, appears to have the sort of fervour which could bode ill for anyone in the audience without earplugs. "It will be cacophonous. And quite, quite immense," says a guitarist who came down from Oxford for the experience. "And it will show the public there's more to the guitar than *Top of the Pops*."

● *Rhys Chatham: 101 Electric Guitars is at the QEH (071-928 8800), on Monday and Tuesday, 7.45pm*

A light lilt in praise of travellers

The untrained voice of folk singer June Tabor has become one of the surprise cult successes of the decade

June Tabor's superb, spine-tingling voice is something of a mystery even to her. "I sang almost as soon as I could speak," she says, but it took a friend's pushiness to get her up on stage at a folk club when she was 16. "She just went up to the organiser and said 'My friend sings, will you put her on?' Immediately I thought 'I don't know anything'. All I could think of was 'Michael, Row the Boat' and 'Kumbaya'. So I sang those and discovered I liked standing up and singing in front of an audience."

The friend deserves a medal, for it is impossible now to imagine a folk world without Tabor. She has been praised so much that it is becoming boring. In the words of Elvis Costello, who has written a track on her new album: "If you can't appreciate June Tabor, you should just stop listening to music."

Her talent is unconventional, however. "I'm not in the slightest bit musical. I can't play anything. I did attempt the whistle once, but the cat didn't like it." Nor can she read music. "I really should learn, because it's an immense disadvantage when looking for songs. I always go on the words, then hand it on and say 'Is the tune any good?' My way of practising is to learn new material for fun, but I don't do exercises and I've had no training and I think that shows in the way I sing. It's a strange and quite interesting voice. The upper register has disappeared, but the lower register has expanded considerably."

In fact her resonant, untrained voice is perfect for the traditional airs and heartfelt folk that have become her trademark. Her new album, *Against the Streams*, which she is now touring to promote, features songs once sung by gypsies on the road. "Apples and Potatoes" is the strangest, consisting of an odd little stanza about the devil digging up potatoes, followed by wordless "lilting". "Very often with gypsy songs, you have a verse on its own, and you think, where did that come from? But they would sing that and then lilt, and people would dance. It's a kind of mouth music, standing in for musical instruments — great fun to do."

Tabor has the voice to revive such a tradition, but she also has the passion. "The whole business of the Criminal Justice Bill and the persecution of gypsies is something I've been concerning myself with in song in the last 18 months," she says. "I've been trying to make people aware of the plight of a very proud and interesting people who have made a considerable contribution to the musical heritage of this country. But it also extends to other travellers and society's attitude to anyone who wants to be different."

The past and the present are intertwined in *Against the Streams*. "The Turn of the Road" is a traditional Irish tune, given words by a modern Manchester poet, Les Barker. Another song, "I Want to Vanish", is by Elvis Costello. "He came to see me live about three years ago and afterwards he said: 'I'd really like to write a song for you — seeing as I haven't written one you like yet.'" Tabor was surprised to find he meant it, but although she enthuses about his "facility for the manipulation of language", she cannot imagine making an album with him: "I prefer to work with my own group of musicians who are totally in tune with what I do."

Turning popular is not on her agenda, although she flirted with rock when she teamed up with the Oyster Band for the album *Freedom and Rain*, and in recent years has switched from the ultra-folky Topic label to the more broad-based Cooking Vinyl. "I can't ever imagine making an album of my own with a drummer. I want to go for very sparsely accompanied, acoustic music. It will never be a rock 'n' roll album."


June Tabor: popularity is not an issue, she says

Now, more than ever, Tabor is determined to do her own thing. She lives in an old farmhouse on the borders of England and Wales with five dogs, two cats and a donkey. "Every paradise has its serpent," she says, "and mine's the tyre factory down the road." As for her music, she is the first to admit: "What I do isn't mainstream. For a start you're asked to think! The kind of songs I do are not some kind of wallpaper. You need to sit down and listen to them and let them take you over. And maybe you'll come out the other side slightly changed."

STEPHANIE BILLEN

● *Against the Streams is released on Monday. June Tabor's tour begins today at Sidmouth, Devon; then on August 19 at London's Purcell Room, followed by various dates until December 17*

RECORDS: **David Toop** hears the result of comebacks by Gil Scott-Heron, Robert Wyatt and Malcolm McLaren

Making tracks to the confessional

■ **GIL SCOTT-HERON**
Spirits
(Mother MUMCD 9145)

BUILDING on the initiative of rap poets such as The Last Poets, Chicago-born Gil Scott-Heron made an interesting niche for himself during the mid 1970s with songs such as "The Revolution Will Not be Televised", "The Bottle" and the ever-relevant "Whitey on the Moon".

Scott-Heron worked closely with multi-instrumentalist Brian Jackson to create a melancholic fusion of jazz, soul, political poetry and Afro-Latin rhythms. Alongside the clear influence on American hip-hop, successive generations of British fans lionised him, yet performances in this country were regular enough to indicate that Scott-Heron was in dire trouble. Having set himself up as a judge and exemplar, he had fallen prey to the addictions he condemned. With no record contract and a live reputation that had plummeted from inspiring to depressing, there was a genuine concern that he would become another rock casualty before too long.

A new album, back on form and nakedly honest, comes as a relief then. There are no anthems here to rival crowd pleasers of the past, but this is hardly surprising. To regain self-respect and authority at the same time is a tall order. Having lost himself and his talent almost completely, Scott-Heron acknowledges that he is pulling back from the brink with some painfully candid lyrics.

Central to the confessional nature of these songs is a harrowing three-part epic called "The Other Side", but other tracks also dwell on self-examination and redemption. On "Don't Give Up", he deals with a familiar syndrome: "I was obviously too blind, and probably too weak, to see who was responsible for my losing streak. The best way to explain it is to say simply because I was looking outside and the truth is I was the one."

Most of the musical ideas of *Spirits* were formulated in the 1970s but Scott-Heron is fortunate that his revival has coincided with a fashionable obsession with that period. His rich baritone still vibrates the speaker cones — and, with continuing record company support, subsequent records should re-establish him as a voice of conviction.


Gil Scott-Heron: painfully candid lyrics on new album

□ **ROBERT WYATT**
Going Back a Bit
(Virgin CDVDM 9031)

A REGULAR sight at psychedelic clubs in 1967 was Robert Wyatt, stripped down to his shorts and flailing at a drum kit with Soft Machine. The jump from underground to establishment was swift, with Soft Machine even performing at the Proms and eventually transmuting into a collection of session musicians.

Unlike some other fixtures of that era, Wyatt chose not to become a member of the rock aristocracy. Although the decision was finalised in 1973 when he fell out of a window and became wheelchair bound, Wyatt had already given priority to musical and political integrity over commercial success.

His solo efforts since then, though sporadic, have established him as one of the most individual singers in British rock history. Pushing his voice to the top of its range, he sings plain English with a mixture of sadness and wry puzzlement. This two-CD compilation covers a fairly wide range of his output: a Soft Machine BBC session from 1969, the solo albums of the early 1970s, the hit single version of "I'm A Believer" which led to him being banned from *Top of the Pops* for fear that his wheelchair would "offend public taste", the collaborations with Carla Bley and Mike Mantler, within the then hallowed walls of the BBC.

□ **MALCOLM McLAREN**
Paris
(No! NOCD100)

WHAT a sorry bunch the prime movers of punk have become. As the Sex Pistols' so-called Svengali, McLaren made his name as a purveyor of scattershot theory and provocative action. But the projects he foists on the world are now becoming so flimsy that they are in danger of disappearing completely.

Extravagant magazine profiles will ensure a few advance orders for this tour around the clichés of Parisian bohemia. Will customers be pleased with their choice of purchase after the first hearing? I fear not. Produced to the highest standards of blandness by Robin Millar, the music could be custom-made for a hair-product commercial.

One of the few melodies to emerge out of 13 songs was composed by (though not credited to) Erik Satie. Along with Miles Davis, Satie is one of the iconic beneficiaries of McLaren's romantic view of a long-departed Paris *demi-monde*. His simplification of these two complex musicians is evident from the trumpet played during "Miles of Miles of Miles", a vulgar, growling parody of a style which Davis supplanted back in the 1940s with his fragile lyricism.

When McLaren sings, it is time to duck. Nevertheless, a few decent lyrics perhaps might still have elevated this album to the status of a kitsch artefact. Sadly, not even cameo appearances by Catherine Deneuve and others can introduce a scrap of content to such an empty-headed waste of money.

TOP TEN ALBUMS

1	End of Part One	Wet Wet Wet (Precious)
2	The Glory of Gershwin	Various (Mercury)
3	Music for the Jilted Generation	Prodigy (XL)
4	Voodoo Lounge	Rolling Stones (Virgin)
5	The Very Best of the Eagles	Eagles (Elektra)
6	Swagger	Gun (A&M)
7	Happy Nation (US Version)	Ace of Base (Metronome)
8	God Shuffled His Feet	Crash Test Dummies (RCA)
9	One Careful Owner	Michael Ball (Columbia)
10	Music Box	Mariah Carey (Columbia)

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LONDON

BBC HENRY WOOD PROMS. Kent Nagano makes his Proms debut tonight as he conducts the Halle Orchestra in a tribute to a great predecessor, John Barbirolli. The programme includes Elgar, Berg and Mahler, plus Vaughan Williams's Symphony No 7, *Sinfonia antartica*, which Barbirolli premiered in 1953. Mark Wigglesworth conducts the National Youth Orchestra of Great Britain tomorrow for Ravel's *Daphnis and Chloe* and Stravinsky's *Petrushka*. On Sunday, a tribute to Sir William Glock is conducted by Sir Colin Davis, George Benjamin and Pierre Boulez.
Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, SW7 (071-589 8212). Tonight 7.30pm

MIND THE GAP. Follow a trail of new dance pieces around the nooks and crannies of the South Bank this weekend. A map is provided for the five performances, each lasts between 10 and 30 minutes with a three-minute walk in between.
Festival Hall, Level Two Terrace, South Bank, SE1 (071-928 8800). Tomorrow and Sun, 2.30 and 4pm. *Free event, no ticket required.*

EDDIE IZZARD. A short series of Friday night routines begins tonight: you can expect the usual sharp comedy and good sense.
Ambassadors, West Street, WC1 (071-836 1171). Tonight, 10pm.

MOZART IN COSTUME. Ian Watson returns with the Mozart Festival Orchestra for a weekend of popular favourites. Overtures to *Marriage of Figaro* and *Don Giovanni*, *Eine kleine Nachtmusik*, piano, horn and clarinet concertos and Symphony No 41 in C, K551, "Jupiter" are sprinkled among the programmes.
Barbican, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tomorrow, 8pm; Sun, 7.30pm.

ELSEWHERE

HARROGATE. The **International Festival** continues in glamorous style tonight with the Stuttgart Ballet's top principals and soloists. Among the many performers taking part in a "Michael Nyman experience" weekend are the City of London Sinfonia and the Michael Nyman band; a recital from Madeleine Mitchell and John Lenehan includes Nyman's *On the Fiddle* and the world premiere of James MacMillan's *Kiss on Wood*.
Box Office: Royal Baths (0423 565757). Until Aug 12.

EDINBURGH. Michael Nyman appears here as well, on Saturday, then on to Harrogate (as above). The Norwegian Chamber Orchestra can be expected to deliver its usual musical delights on Sunday — they too hopscotch to Harrogate, for a performance on Monday.
Festival, Nicolson Street (031-629 6000). Tomorrow, 8.30pm and Sun, 7.30pm.

GLASGOW. An **International Early Music Festival** opens tonight with the UK debut of the Moscow Academy of Ancient Music: Vivaldi's *The Four Seasons* is part of the popular programme. Thirteenth-century troubador songs and religious praises are offered up tomorrow by Alla Francesca and tenor Jean-Paul Fouchécourt joins Les Musiciens du Louvre for Mauret's comic rustic opera, *Les Amores Ragonde* on Sunday.
Box Office: (041-227 5511/334 9229).

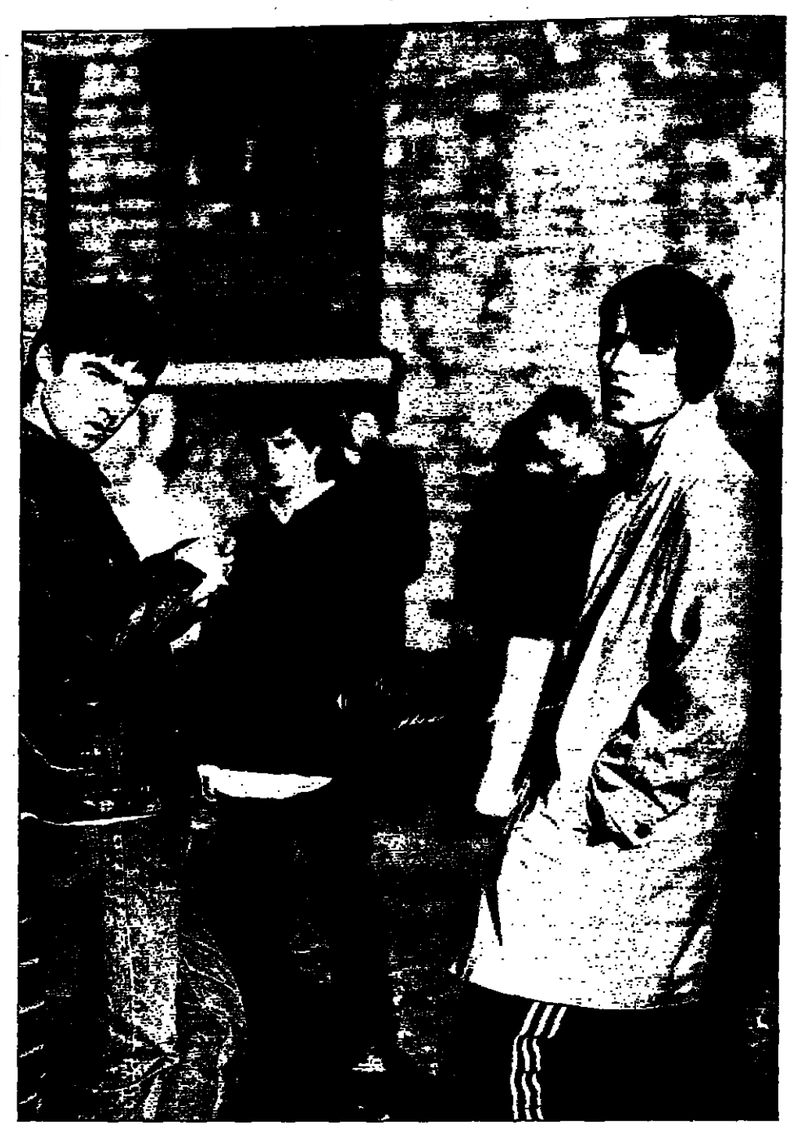
CARDIFF. The eighth city-wide **Summer Festival** moves into full swing this weekend with a children's festival at the castle, a Caribbean Carnival on Sunday and the start of the Hayes Aiwel Music Festival.
Box Office: (0222 751235)

LONDON GALLERIES

British Museum: Modern Japanese Prints: 1912-1969, (071-636 1555) . . . **Courtauld**: French Impressionist and Post-Impressionist paintings (071-873 2526). **Hayward**: Bonnard at Le Bosquet (071-928 8800). . **National Gallery**: Friedrich to Hodler: A Romantic Tradition (071-389 1785) . . . **National Portrait Gallery**: Edwardian Women Photographers (071-306 0055). **Royal Academy**: Summer Exhibition (071-439 7438). . **Tate**: Turner's Holland (071-887 8000). . **V & A**: Pugin: A Gothic Passion; the Ironwork Gallery (071-938 8500).

Suites smell of success







A chambermaid's nightmare: Keith Moon of The Who (top left); John Lennon and Yoko Ono in the Amsterdam Hilton (bottom); Oasis (right)

Today's pop stars seem to have acquired a taste for disgustingly bad behaviour — just like the idols of their parents' generation

Oasis, this year's third hottest rock 'n' roll item — after the Anchor butter cows which can sing, dance and lactate at the same time; and the Bryan Adams live album — have been banned from the Columbia Hotel in London. This may need a bit of explaining in order to stem the cries of "who cares?" that would initially seem to be in order.

The Columbia on Bayswater Road is legendary for being *the* hotel for doing rock 'n' roll deeds in. The management seems to have very relaxed views on bands doing the things that bands just want to do after 16 double Wild Turkeys: and various stories have sofas with people sitting on them being thrown out of windows, fights erupting between band members with furniture being deployed for maximum interpersonal damage, and airborne televisions regularly winging their way to the car park. The record companies are quietly billed when the bands check out, and things carry on as normal.

However, after allegedly spotting an insect in his bedroom, Liam Gallagher, one half of the Battling Gallagher Brothers from Oasis, trashed his room, then "ran about the place, just going for it. Things went out of the window." There was damage to a Mercedes, parked outside the hotel, which the band claims they were not responsible for. Whatever happened, Oasis have managed the dubious achievement of being only the third band *ever* to be banned from the hotel.

And while mindless, needless destruction can never be condoned, and is quite possibly the result of tour boredom that could be allayed by a couple of crossword books, perhaps, or a nice game of chess, there is one thing for sure: for the young teenage fans of the band, it finally makes rock in the Nineties as newsworthy as it was in the Sixties.



CAITLIN MORAN

Of course, one of the main reasons that rock 'n' roll behaviour has been off the schedule for so long is because anything a young, up-and-coming band could do with a television and a window would just look weedy compared to the catalogue of black-eyed destruction wrought by The Who and the Rolling Stones. Keith Moon, in an argument with Pete Townshend, threw a bottle of champagne with such force that it embedded itself in the wall — an event so amusing that Townshend started laughing. Moon then took advantage of this lull to hit him over the head with a chair.

Moon also specialised in terrorising hotel maids by dumping buckets of offal in his bathtub, floating a dummy's hand on top and waiting until they screamed "murder!". A recent article by Nick Kent claims that the Rolling Stones would give out "access all areas" passes to drug dealers in each city they played in, among other sins.

The Beatles took a slightly different tack on the whole process of Being Rock 'n' Roll — John Lennon chose to express his individuality from within a bag, and called this new craze "bagism". *Obviously* it didn't catch on, as you can neither smoke, breathe properly nor go to the toilet if you're sewn into a hessian sack. However, Lennon then followed this up by being shot dead, something the supposedly "harder" members of the Rolling Stones and The Who have shied away from. Brian Wilson from the Beach Boys gave his children cocaine — which is not rock 'n' roll at all: just stupid. Wilson also had sandpits and bucketsful of fire in the studio while he recorded, to "help the creative process".

Julian Cope, of the 1980s band Teardrop Explodes, went on *Top of the Pops* dressed in a hotel pillow-case, and considerably the worse for wear. Cope also chased people with a shotgun.

In recent years, things have been a little slower. Grunge trio L7 sometimes rearrange the furniture in their hotels to confuse the maids, and those psychedelic geniuses, the Boo Radleys, regularly whack each other with furniture. Last time they played Paris they took their press officer's wallet and threw all his money out of the window. When it was explained that this was the band's drinking money, they went out into the car park and picked it all up again.

Mike Patton from Face No More had a strange way of erasing touring boredom. He would carefully disassemble the hotel hairdryer and place excrement into the workings, before screwing the thing together again.

But with Oasis really starting to get into the swing of being pop stars; Primal Scream touring America and allegedly finding new and better ways for rock 'n' roll immortality; and Richey Edwardes from the god-like Manic Street Preaches booked into a private clinic this week, suffering from exhaustion after a year of drinking a bottle and a half of vodka a night to go to sleep, plus regular and public self-mutilation; it looks as though teenagers in the Nineties are finally experiencing the same vicarious, second-hand thrill their parents took part in through rock 'n' roll in the Sixties.

WEEKEND CHOICE

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kris Anderson

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

■ **House full, returns only**
◪ **Some seats available**
□ **Seats at all prices**

◪ **ANORAK OF FIRE.** Stephen Dinsdale's hilarious but also touching account of a transporter's obsession makes a brief return to London with James Holmes as the dedicated hero. Deservedly a cult.
Tricycle, Kilburn High Street, NW6 (071-328 1000). Tonight, 8pm, Sat, 4pm and 8pm

□ **THE CANTERBURY TALES.** Played as a modern-day storytelling competition with a nervous wear as MC and Brian Glover as the irrepressible Miller.
Garrick, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-494 5040). Mon-Sat 7.45pm, mats Thurs, 2.30pm and Sat, 3pm.

□ **THE CRYPTOGRAM.** Lindsay Duncan and Eddie Izzard in Mamet's play about cryptic adult relationships: tantalising but it is really a studio play.
Ambassadors, West Street, WC1 (071-836 1171). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 5pm

◪ **FIDDLER ON THE ROOF.** Topol returns to his alter ego Tevye and Sara Kestelman plays Golde in the 30th anniversary revival.
Palladium, Argyll Street, W1 (071-494 5038). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 2.30pm

□ **JUGGLE AND HYDE.** The Flying Karamazov Brothers defy probability with their truly astounding feats. They're funny too.
Criterion, Piccadilly Circus, W1 (071-839 4488). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 4pm. Until Sept 3

◪ **KING LEAR.** Christopher Robbie has a hard act stepping into Robert Stephenson's shoes in Adrian Noble's brilliant production.
Barbican, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight-Tue, 7pm.

◪ **LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN:** Another extravagantly set-dominated Wilde from Philip Prowse. Fine acting from Francesca Annis's mother with a past but otherwise a frail evening.
Albery, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Thurs and Sat, 3pm

□ **THE MIRACLE WORKER.** Jenny Seagrove and Catherine Holman as teacher and blind, deaf pupil in a touching, unmawkish production.
Comedy, Panton Street, SW1 (071-867 1045). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.15pm; mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 5pm

◪ **ROAD.** Jim Cartwright's harshly comic and haunting portrait of a Lancashire town with nothing ahead of it. Max Stafford-Clark directs.
Royal Court, Sloane Square, SW1 (071-730 1745). Fri, 7.30pm and Sat, 3pm. In rep until Aug 27

□ **RUTHERFORD AND SON.** Bob Peck plays the implacable father of the firm and head of the family in welcome revival of Githa Sowerby's excellent play, dating from 1912. Katie Mitchell directs.
National, (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight-Tue, 7.30pm. mat Sat, 2.30pm.

◪ **ST JOAN.** Imogen Stubbs as the soldier-saint in a production full of mental passion, if you can overlook the scenic ads. Peter Jeffrey is superb as the Inquisitor.
Strand, Strand, WC2 (071-930 8800). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 2.30pm

□ **SHE LOVES ME:** Pleasant musical of love by letter in a Budapest perfumerie. Ruthie Henshall and John Gordon-Sinclair are an engaging pair.
Savoy, The Strand, WC2 (071-836 8888). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm; mats Wed and Sat, 3pm.

◪ **THE STREET OF CROCODILES.** Complicité return with its award-winning production derived from the mysterious tales of Bruno Schulz. First seen at the National in 1992.
The Young Vic, 66 The Cut, London SE1 (071-928 6363). Now previewing, 7.30pm. Opens Aug 8

LONG RUNNERS

◪ **Arcadia**, Haymarket (071-930 8800). □ **Blood Brothers**, Phoenix (071-867 1044). □ **Buddy**, Victoria Palace (071-834 1317). ■ **Cats**, New London (071-405 0072). □ **Crazy for You**: Prince Edward (071-734 8951). ◪ **Dead Funny**: Vaudeville (071-836 9987/071-867 1116). ◪ **Hot Shoe Shuffle**, Queens (071-494 5040). □ **An Inspector Calls**: Aldwych (071-836 6404). ■ **Les Misérables**, Palace (071-434 0909). ◪ **Miss Saigon**, Theatre Royal (071-494 5400). □ **The Mousetrap**: St Martin's (071-836 1443). ■ **The Phantom of the Opera**, Her Majesty's (071-494 5400). ◪ **Starlight Express**: Apollo Victoria (071-828 8665). ◪ **Sunset Boulevard**: Adelphi (071-344 0055). □ **The Woman in Black**, Fortune (071-836 2238).

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NEW RELEASES

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

◆ **GETTING EVEN WITH DAD** (PG): Macaulay Culkin reforms his wayward dad (Ted Danson). Botched family comedy, directed by Howard Deutch.
MGMs: Fulham Rd ◪ (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031) **Plaza** (0800 888997) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332) **Warner** ◪ (071-437 4343)

THE LAST SEDUCTION (18): Enjoyably amoral tale of sex, power and $700,000, with Linda Fiorentino as the femme fatale to end them all. Director, John Dahl.
Barbican ◪ (071-638 8891) **Curzon West End** (071-439 4805) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666)

WE DON'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT (PG): An ageing bachelor and a charming dwarf join forces in Maria Luisa Bemberg's magical Argentine fable. With Marcello Mastroianni.
Chelsea (071-351 3742/3743) **Curzon Mayfair** (071-465 8865) **Renoir** (071-837 8402)

ZERO PATIENCE (18): Well-meaning but cumbersome Canadian musical debunking Aids myths from adventurous director John Greyson.
MGM Piccadilly (071-437 3561)

CURRENT

◆ **THE BEVERLY HILLBILLIES** (PG): Silly, acceptable big-screen revival for TV's favourite hicks with Jim Varney, Lily Tomlin and Dietrich Bader. Director, Penelope Spheeris.
MGM Trocadero ◪ (071-434 0031) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914036) **West End** (0426 915574)

BOILING POINT: Quirks, mayhem and lyrical images in an early gangster romp from Japanese cult figure Takeshi Kitano, made in 1990.
ICA ◪ (071-930 3647)

◆ **THE FLINTSTONES** (U): Hollow, noisy live-action treatment of the TV cartoon set in Stone Age suburbia, with John Goodman. Brian Levant directs.
Empire ◪ (0800 888811) **MGMs: Baker St** (071-935 9772) **Fulham Rd** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031) **Screen/Green** (071-226 3520) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

THE GETAWAY (18): Alec Baldwin and Kim Basinger as thieves on the run. Strong, sexy remake of the 1972 thriller; director, Roger Donaldson.
MGM Trocadero ◪ (071-434 0031) **Warner** ◪ (071-437 4343)

LOVE & HUMAN REMAINS (18): Mordant tales of love, sex and serial killings. Denys Arcand directs a fresh, excellent cast.
Gate ◪ (071-727 4043) **Lumiere** (071-836 0691) **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Odeon Swiss Cottage** (0426 914036)

◆ **MAVERICK** (PG): Mel Gibson as the TV Western conman. Disappointing summer fun, with Jodie Foster and James Garner. Director, Richard Donner.
Barbican ◪ (071-638 8891) **MGMs: Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332) **Warner** ◪ (071-437 4343)

◆ **MY GIRL 2** (PG): Anna Chlumsky's precocious girl searches for the mother she never knew. Bland sequel aimed at young teens with Austin O'Brien, Dan Aykroyd and Jamie Lee Curtis.

◆ **RENAISSANCE MAN** (12): Patchy comedy with Danny DeVito teaching Hamlet to the army's under-achievers. Director, Penny Marshall.
Odeon Kensington (0426 914666) **Warner** ◪ (071-437 4343)

◆ **SIRENS** (15): Oxford curate and his wife mingle with Australia's bohemians. Joyful, luscious romp, with Hugh Grant, Tara Fitzgerald and Elle MacPherson. Directed by John Duigan.
MGMs: Fulham Road ◪ (071-370 2636) **Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Notting Hill Coronet** ◪ (071-727 6705) **Odeon Haymarket** (0426 915353) **Phoenix** (081-883 2233) **Screen/Baker Street** (071-935 2772) **Screen/Hill** ◪ (071-435 3366) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332) **Warner** ◪ (071-437 4343)

◆ **SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS** (U): You are never too old to enjoy the world's first feature-length cartoon, in a sparkling restored print.
MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914036) **West End** (0426 915574) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

SUGAR HILL (18): Harlem drug dealer Wesley Snipes re-evaluates his life. Moody drama that fails to deliver. Director, Leon Ichaso. To Sat only.
Electric ◪ (071-792 2020/0338) **Plaza** (0800 888997)

WILD TARGET (15): Featherweight French comedy, with Jean Rochefort as a meticulous hitman unhinged by love. Director, Pierre Salvadori.
MGMs: Chelsea (071-352 5096) **Swiss Centre** (071-439 4470) **Tottenham Court Rd** (071-636 6148)

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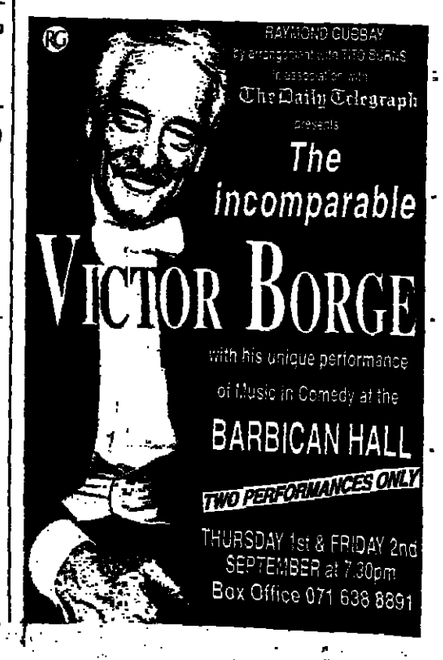
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INFOTECH

Telephone technology will allow opponents to compete all over the country, says **Emma Woollacott**

Party line for fun and games

Last month Robin Cook, the shadow Trade Secretary, pledged that a Labour government would lift the ban prohibiting BT and Mercury from offering broadcast-entertainment services on their telephone networks.

In the meantime, both companies are stretching the limits of the ban as far as they can. The broadcast prohibition dates back to 1984, and was intended to give the then fledgeling cable-TV industry a clear run at the market. It seems to have worked: in the ten years since, the cable companies have invested £2.9 billion in infrastructure, which they would have been less likely to do had they faced competition from BT.

> 'Up to 65 people can play dial-a-game'

Since then, advances in multimedia technology have opened the way for a range of entertainment services that fall outside the remit of the ban. Last year Mercury set up a new division, New Media Entertainment, to develop and evaluate demand for a variety of "infotainment" services.

The division is ready to introduce a range of entertainment services which use comparatively low-cost technology, and which will be available anywhere in the country via the existing telecommunications infrastructure. Full-motion video will not be available, but still images and good quality graphics will, says Clyde Macveigh, who heads New Media Entertainment.

"There is a range of sexy things we will be doing in three or four years' time, but there is a lot we can do right now."

The first of these will be a national computer games network, which is due to go live at the end of the year. Users with a PC and modem will be able to dial in and play games with opponents all over the country. Up to 65 people will be able to play against each other at the same time.

JOHN CHAPMAN



Clyde Macveigh, head of Mercury's New Media Entertainment, displays the graphics of the Air Warrior game

Mercury has bought the rights to a number of games, including Air Warrior, a flight simulator which lets players team into squadrons and fight each other, and is negotiating to license others. The company also plans to run games tournaments.

"A game like Air Warrior has got stunning graphics — to super video graphics adapter standards — but the software is designed so that the data you need to send between computers is kept to a minimum," Mr Macveigh says. "It will cost a couple of pounds an hour plus the cost of a local phone call. There will be no subscription charges so people will be able to come in and browse."

Other services are also planned, such as information services and chatlines. The idea is to offer something broadly similar to the online computer service Compuserve, but aimed at the leisure market.

"The whole thrust of it is to appeal to people at home. It is not the sort of thing that a tired person is going to come home from work and hook into," Mr Macveigh says.

> 'Services may include theatre booking'

Possibilities include theatre and concert information and booking services, and home banking and shopping. The company's existing Mercury 5000 business information service will be expanded, and other less corporate information sources, such as the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, will be added.

Mercury will start by marketing the new services to existing Mercury 5000 subscribers, but hopes to extend it to all customers by early next year. It has even been toying with the idea of subsidising the cost of modems, but a spokesman said this was unlikely.

In the longer term, the company is considering offering video on demand, which would allow customers to order a particular film and have it sent straightaway by phone line to their television set.

This does not involve sending the same item to a number of people at once and thus, arguably, falls outside the definition of broadcast entertainment. But there are two problems: first, the cost of the infrastructure required and second, the question of how much to charge consumers. Both Mercury and BT are working on the technology, partly in the hope of regulatory changes. Since the broadcast ban is due for review in 2001, or possibly after the next election, the more video-related groundwork done now the better.

BT is testing a video-on-demand service in Ipswich, Suffolk, while Mercury's parent company, Cable & Wireless, is running a similar trial in Hong Kong.

PCs battle moves to the home front

Office systems get smaller, but mainframes are not dead yet

In the last decade the computer industry has been going through the technological equivalent of a world war. The first "invasion" took place when office staff took computing into their own hands with the personal computer. Last year, worldwide revenue from PCs exceeded that of larger computers.

Now we are told that we are on the threshold of another invasion — the small-office and home user.

Contrary to common belief, the mainframe and its centrally managed data processing department have not been withering away. On the contrary, the world's larger corporations use plenty of mainframes and, in terms of processing power, mainframe capacity has been steadily increasing. The size of the machines and the number of boxes needed has, however, been declining. BT, for example, has reduced the number of computer centres from 44 to four or five.

Ten years ago, the largest IBM mainframe was rated at 30 million instructions a second. Today, a computer manager can plug into ordinary 13amp sockets 200 rack-mounted microprocessors, each able to handle 15 million instructions a second.

Another trend is a swing back to centralised system management. Now the most fashionable answer is the client-server, a hybrid whereby PCs serve the individual client but are linked by a "server" to data warehouses and network controllers. This requires networks that are powerful and reliable because users must be able to access services whenever needed.

The advent of information superhighways is likely to accelerate the development of client-server systems and the need for massive data storage. Users with their multimedia workstations may want to call up full-motion video, and the storage requirements for moving pictures and sound are enormous.

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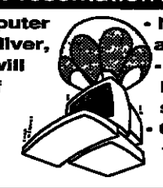
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Big bucks lure whizz-kid Brits

Continent and US woo UK-trained specialists, says

Sean Hallahan

The prospects for information technology (IT) specialists finding work overseas are now better than at any time in the past year, according to recruitment consultants.

Those aiming for big money should look to the Continent, while those seeking a change of lifestyle are best advised to go to the United States. Although the skills of British-trained IT staff are almost universally admired, attitudes to them change from country to country.

"The IT employment market in America has picked up considerably in the past six months as it has in the UK, but for us that has proved a double-edged sword," says Craig Coverman, a senior consultant with the recruitment agency Computer People. "Six months ago many people were willing to take a job in America because there was nothing on offer for them in Britain — today they can afford to be more selective."

Computer People usually recruits staff to work in America on three to five-year contracts, although initially it may be only for six months.

The skills most in demand in the US broadly mirror those in Britain — open systems and Unix and a knowledge of development languages such as C, C++ and Visual Basic, usually coupled with a knowledge of a relational database, such as Oracle, Informix, Sybase and, to a lesser extent, Ingres.

Even though initially salary scales across the Atlantic are generally lower than in the UK, Mr Coverman says there are other advantages. "Some people go to America to increase their skill base. It does no harm to have three years' experience working in the US on your CV when you come back."

What attracts American companies to British IT staff is their ability to learn and to work as part of a team. "The amazing thing is that although the US is technologically ahead of us, the British are recognised as being more knowledgeable. They pick up things very easily, work in a structured way, have good communication skills and integrate very well," Mr Coverman says.

Mike Askew has just returned from five years in New York as European vice-president of Market Arts, a small American software house. "What really attracted me was the lifestyle, but financially I am now in a position where I could not afford to take a job in Britain," he says.

When Mr Askew first arrived in America he was paid $50,000 a year. "In the five years that I have been there I have tripled that salary," he says, adding that he believes it is possible for British IT staff to make as much as $350,000 (about £230,000) a year.

Like many young Britons, Mr Askew was motivated to work abroad as much by the opportunity of foreign travel as the lure of a large salary. However, he gives a warning that British IT staff must be prepared to work hard if they are to prosper, and must be aware of the cultural climate of the country. What passes for innocuous innuendo in a British office can be a sacking offence in America.

"We sometimes do have to warn people about political correctness when they are going to the US," Mr Coverman says. "The joke that you can get away with in Britain can lead to allegations of sexual harassment over there."

Salaries on the Continent tend to be higher than those in Britain and the average programmer or analyst can earn half as much again in Germany, according to recruitment consultants. But if the American perception of British IT staff is generally favourable, the same is not always true on the Continent.

One of the biggest problems is that British staff are seen as being somewhat feckless. "British people have a reputation of being unstable. If people are going to work abroad, they have to prove that they are going to stick the pace," says Brian Harris, a director of recruitment consultants OCC.

The other major problem is the language barrier. "If you speak Spanish there is big money to be made in Spain and German contract rates are 50 per cent above those in the UK," Mr Harris says.

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Golden couple remain toast of Helsinki



David Powell looks back 42 years to when a Czech husband and wife dominated the XVth Olympiad

Emil Zatopek is not sure if he will be fit for the European championships in Helsinki next week. He has an infection and is uncertain whether he can travel here to the stadium where he achieved an Olympic treble never likely to be equalled.

Zatopek, now 71, is a VIP guest of the championships which begin on Sunday, but his seat in the stadium may be going spare. "My health is not good," he said from his home in Prague this week. "But I want to be there. I am still very interested in athletics."

In fact two seats may become vacant. Dana Zatopek, who is married to the 1952 Olympic 5,000 metres, 10,000 metres and marathon champion, is due here also but what devoted wife would leave her sick husband at home?

If sport has enjoyed a more improbable coincidence than the one which touched the Zatopeks' lives, please write and say. On September 19, 1922, a boy and girl entered the world six hours apart and 26 years later they married. Then, on the same July day in 1952, they won his and hers Olympic gold medals, Emil in the 5,000 metres, Dana in the javelin.

The Zatopeks finished second in the athletics medals table. First the United States, third the Soviet Union. Fifteen golds, four golds, two golds. Czechoslovakia had a hero and heroine from under one roof. How often, though, one wonders did Mrs Zatopek have to put up with: "Oh, you must be Emil's wife?"

> 'The Czechs had a hero and heroine from under one roof'

On a slow news day, Frank Sando setting a British record for 10,000 metres after losing a shoe on the first of 25 laps would have made headlines. But Sando was an extra, one of the Czechoslovak's admirers. "He was every long distance runner's hero," Sando recalled this week. "The one you tended to think about in training." No, these were the Emil Zatopek Games as he became the only man to win the three longest events at one Olympics.

Zatopek, an officer in the Czechoslovak Army, formed a front line of one in his first event, the 10,000 metres, shaking off Alain Mimoun, of France, to win by 15.8 seconds. Four days later, in the 5,000 metres, Mimoun was second again. This was a closer race but a 57.9sec last lap saw off the Frenchman. Thus Zatopek secured his second gold medal before a Helsinki crowd which appreciated distance running, having been brought up on the triumphs of their own Paavo Nurmi.

Two days rest and then it was time for Zatopek's marathon debut. Now the officer from the Czechoslovak military was entering British territory.

The favourites were two Britons, Jim Peters and Stan Cox, but Zatopek ran a canny race, trailing Peters by 17 seconds at ten kilometres but winning in 2hr 23min 04sec. "That was probably my easiest victory," Zatopek said. His smile as he finished gave the impression of a man suffering no discomfort.

Zatopek won 38 successive 10,000 metres races between 1948 and 1954, retiring after his sixth place in the 1956 Olympic marathon in Melbourne, a trip which took him 40 days by ship and train. After the Prague uprising of 1968, he was dismissed from the Army, ending up with a shovel, working for a geological exploration company.

For ten years life was "rather bad". If either Zatopek wanted to travel out of the country the other had to remain at home. "As a hostage," Emil said. Not until 1978 were they free to travel together. Where first? "We flew to Helsinki, our golden town," Dana recalled.

She still coaches but he does not. "We have a garden and a small house and we are satisfied," Emil said. He walks his dog "two or three times a day", which is how often he used to train. "And thanks to Dana we have a nice garden. I do very little."

Zatopek's fourth and last 10,000 metres world record was his 28min 54.2sec in 1954. Forty years later William Sigei, of Kenya, brought the record down to 26min 52.23sec.

"Wonderful, incredible," Zatopek said. "Now the first runner below 29 minutes, now the record is below 27 minutes. Incredible. I stood two laps behind this new world record holder."

"There is so much more science in training now. In the amateur days it was not possible for athletes to spend enough time on running. It is like liberation from misery." But it was possible for Zatopek, who ran between 15 and 30 miles a day, training harder than any athlete before him. "The Army was useful for sportsmen," Zatopek said. "We had half a day for training and half a day for military exercises. Also we got tracksuits and running shoes."

When training to beat Gunder Hagg's 5,000 metres world record in 1954, one of his sessions involved 50 repetition 400 metres runs in the morning and 50 more in the evening.

It worked. Zatopek recorded 13min 57.2sec to claim a record which had stood for 12 years. "I am still proud that I did it," he said. "But I never thought somebody would run 12min 56sec."

Haile Gebresilasie's world record in Hengelo two months ago was more than a minute faster than Zatopek's.

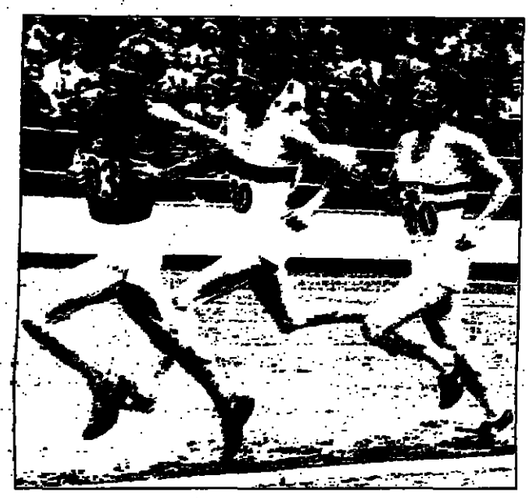
If he cannot be here next week Zatopek will watch the championships on television. "It is better than being in the stadium," he said. "You can see more detail, with explanation of who is who."

Explanation will be needed in the distance events. No one stands out today in Europe even half as much as Zatopek did. His 10,000 metres victory in the 1950 European championships saw him home by 69.0 seconds. In those days his fitness was taken for granted.



MICHAEL POWELL

Together in retirement, the Zatopeks call the Finnish capital "our golden town". Emil, striding clear to win the 5,000 metres, also took the 10,000 metres and marathon, to earn a kiss from Dana, the javelin champion. Lower photographs: The Hulton-Deutsch Collection





Germany claim crown as Britain slip to sixth

FROM JENNY MACARTHUR IN THE HAGUE

AFTER a matchless display of riding in yesterday's sweltering Nations' Cup contest, the *German show jumping* team, led by Franke Sloothaak on Weihaiwej, won their first world show jumping championships by the commanding margin of 14.75 points. France, the defending champions, took the silver medal and Switzerland, the European champions, rallied late in the day to win the bronze medal.

Britain, who had been lying fourth overnight only three points behind the leaders, had a dismal day, finishing sixth and only just qualifying for the Atlanta Olympic Games. Michael Whitaker, in tenth place on Everest Midnight Madness, is the only Briton left in the individual contest.

Nick Skelton, who had been second overnight, dropped to 22nd place (the top 20 qualify for the individual event) after two disappointing rounds from Dollar Girl. John Whitaker, on Everest Gammon, was fortieth and Kelly Brown, on Alfredo, was 45th.

"We thought we had had a perfect preparation for these championships," Michael Bullman, the chairman of the selectors, said, "but, on the day, our horses were too old and just not good enough."

A devastated Ronnie Massarella, the team manager, blamed the result partly on the heat: "No-one could have predicted these temperatures. It clearly affected the two older horses."

DETAILS

WORLD SHOW JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS: Team: 1, Germany 16.88pts; 2, France 31.63; 3, Switzerland 45.69; 4, Brazil 48.31; 5 United States 49.90; 6, Britain 63.66. Individual (overnight placings): 1, Weihaiwej (F Sloothaak, Ger) 2.42; 2, Tapp (S von Ronne, Ger) 7.91; 3, Chouman (N Pessoa, Br) 8.02; 4, Raina Z (L Beerbaum, Ger) 8.30. British: 10, Everest Midnight Madness (M Whitaker) 15.52; 22, Everest Dollar Girl (N Skelton) 22.07); 40, Everest Gammon (J Whitaker) 31.07; 45, Alfredo (K Brown) 34.59

WORLD DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS (after dressage): 1, Germany 61.0; 2 Switzerland 81.8; 3, Belgium 87.8; 6, Britain 96.0. Individual: 1, F Brasseur (Bel) 35.6; 2, M Freund (Ger) 36.0; 3, G Bowman (GB) 38.4

Jon Doney, the British course designer, who had warned that yesterday's 13-fence course would be "big, technical and with wide oxers" was true to his word. Fence ten, which had the maximum spread of 1.90 metres, and a huge oxer at fence 12c proved two of the most influential fences on the course. Many, including all the British, were also caught out by the wide water fence.

Germany, fielding three of the riders in their 1988 Olympic gold medal team, forged into the lead in the first round with clear rounds from their reigning olympic champion, Ludger Beerbaum, on Almox Ratina, and Sloothaak.

In the second round, with temperatures reaching 34C (93F), there was small comfort. As Germany moved relentlessly ahead — with a double clear from Sloothaak — Brown, produced the best British performance, finishing on four faults.

☐ George Bowman, Britain's national carriage driving champion, is in third place overnight after the dressage phase of the world driving championships. The marathon, the most influential phase, takes place tomorrow.

☐ Britain's endurance team, led by the European champion *Jill* Thomas on Egyptian Khalifa, today sets out to recapture the gold medal it lost to the French in 1992. The 100-mile route, much of it over sandy tracks, is expected to be one of the toughest courses at a world championships.

Sidewinder keeps grip on reality

BY BARRY PICKTHALL

AS YACHTSMEN competing at Cowes Week searched the Solent in vain for wind rather than buoys yesterday, crews preparing for the BT Global Challenge in two years' time gave a demonstration of virtual reality at sea in which wind and waves are transmitted right into the living room.

"Not many of us can afford the £18,750 it takes to compete in this race nor probably afford the time, but with the help of a camera headset, we can now spend an afternoon with the crew down in the Southern Ocean and sense we are there," Professor Peter Cochrane, who is head of BT's advanced applications and technology research centre, at Martlesham, said.

Cochrane has a dream: that within two years, his research will be so advanced that armchair sailors will not only be able to view life on board these race yachts in 3-D technicolor, but sense the elements, too.

"We have a glove which mirrors the feelings of one worn by a crewman. If he puts his hand in a bucket of water, you will sense the water too," he explained. If that technology is available today, who knows what will be possible in two years' time?

All this sci-fi technology is dependent on one down-to-earth element — a reliable link with yachts when they are thousands of miles from land. BT's satellite television communications suffered all manner of failures during the recent Whitbread Round the World Race. In rough weather, the yachts were bouncing about so much that their gyro-controlled transceivers could not remain locked on to the INMARSAT satellites long enough to transmit the pictures.

"It is all a question of money," Cochrane said. "We have several options, one of them being a flat unidirectional aerial mounted on the deck to replace the Satcom A terminals fitted inside the Whitbread yachts."

Back at Cowes, the Irish crew on board *Sidewinder* appeared to have the best line of communication with the wind gods.

David Best, from Northern Ireland, and his crew brought their former one-tonne yacht back from the Class I course in the West Solent to win the New York YC trophy from Keith Miller's Swan 46, *Crackerjack*, by more than 16 minutes.

Jean Louis Fabry raised a cheer among the small contingent of French crews competing at Cowes when his Jeanneau one-design, *Tomate*, won Class 2, this time by a mere 28 seconds, and David Knight's *Summer Pudding*, steered by Ian Budgen, scored her fifth victory in the Sigma 38 class.

The winds were so fickle that race organisers were forced to shorten the day-boat races before the tide turned against the fleet and swept it back towards Portsmouth.

Lone Star, Michael White's yacht, broke Peter Baines's string of successes in the X Boats class and *Rosemary*, skippered by Roger French, ended Noel Dodd's run of four wins in the Mermaid class.

In the Contessa 32 class, James Gresham's *Trader Jo* came second yesterday, but this was enough to win the week with a race to spare for the third year in succession.

☐ In La Rochelle, competitors in the International Yacht Racing Union world championships faced a similar lack of wind for the third day in succession. John Merricks and Ian Walker were third in the 470 class yesterday and Mark Littlejohn is fourth among the Laser single-handers.

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Going overboard with pride

BOAT-owners are funny about their boats and Tim Platt is no exception. On the Thursday before Cowes Week he took delivery of his £40,000 gleaming new Julian Everitt-designed E28, *Platinum*.

Life was chaotic for the first few days as the scratch crew got to know each other and the boat and it took no time at all before the sail-maker had gone to the top of the most-wanted list. He had provided sails that, like a cheap pair of jeans, were just that little bit too short for comfort. However, *Platinum* battled on regardless, notching up a fifth place on Monday.

So pleased was Platt with his investment that he was willing to risk life and limb for it. So when his helmsman raced hell for leather towards a marker buoy on Tuesday, Platt leapt across deck to put himself between the marker and his expensive new paintwork, crushing his leg and ankle. As news of his injury was relayed to his wife, Sue, the correct priorities were maintained. "Don't worry, there's not a scratch on the boat but your husband is on crutches," she was told.

COWES DIARY

High and dry

For the winners there is champagne and kudos, for the losers nothing but wet feet and another wasted day. The Cowes Week fleet contains 750 boats and it stands to reason not all of them can win, but a little recognition wouldn't come amiss. Recognition for the likes of Stephen Fein and *Full Pelt*, an Etchells that has so far failed to live up to its name by failing to finish a single race this week. Or the hard-worked crews of *Icarus*, *Cosmic Dancer*, *Tactix* and *Barefoot*, all of whom are vying for last place in CHS Class 3. Only *Icarus* seems to have made it all the way round, before failing to declare its result.

But the prize for the most aptly-named yacht goes to George Lines. His CHS Class 4 boat has also failed to complete a race all week, justifying its moniker, *Wipeout*.

Sparkling exit

Medina borough council, saviour of Cowes Week, may not be long for this world but it intends to mark its passing in style. In April, Medina will be disbanded and incorporated into the rest of the Isle of Wight. As a parting shot, it forked out £100,000 to finance the regatta and has found another £13,500 to pay for the Friday night fireworks display. The half-hour show will use one ton of fireworks, ensuring that Medina will go out with one almighty bang.

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OTHER SPORT

BOWLS: Open tournament (Bournemouth).
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GOLF: Scottish Women's Open (Dalmahoy).
SPEEDWAY: British League: First division: Arena Essex v Belle Vue (8.0); Second division: Edinburgh v Swindon (7.15); Oxford v Peterborough (7.45).

Lee seals semi-final place

FROM MIKE ROSEWELL IN MUNICH

WORRIES concerning the welfare of Steve Lee, the British sculler who collapsed after a demanding race on Wednesday, evaporated yesterday when he moved steadily through the field to achieve first position and a place in the semi-final here today.

Shades of Wednesday's race emerged when Lee, of Walton RC, was once again headed by a much heavier opponent, this time the Michail Valouev, of Russia, for the first three-quarters of the race, but Lee's final 500 metres was a remarkable 6sec faster than Valouev. Lee, sensibly, immediately took on water from a waiting launch before winding down.

Lee was part of a remarkable British roll that produced five consecutive first places in the morning repechages. The women's coxless four, who eased up on Wednesday, needed to finish in the top four to book a final place and took no risks by coming first. Their time was the fastest of the championship so far, but the second-placed Romanians were coasting.

Charles Heise and Stefan Warnier in the men's coxless pair and the men's coxless four found themselves comfortably in the top two qualifying positions early in their contests, but both, without over exertion, went for first place and got it.

The biggest British morning win came for Sarah Watts in the sculls when she finished nearly a minute ahead of her nearest opponent, Brittany Cazel, of the United States, in one of six three-boat repechages with just the winner going through. Watts emerged safely, but the unusual system produced some surprise eliminations, including Meike Evers, of Germany.

Britain's winning bubble burst in the evening with defeats for the men's coxed pair and the double scull. The failure of Chris Hugill and Gareth Davis, both experienced world performers, was unfortunate in the double.

Ireland raced well to take the qualifying place, but the British crew's time would have won four of the other five heats. The women's eight finished the day with yet another first place to book their final place on Saturday, leaving 11 of Britain's 13-boat team in the medal hunt trying, in today's semi-finals, to better the record of eight finalists in 1992.

WORD-WATCHING

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BANDY-BANDY

(c) The native name in Australia of a nocturnal snake, *Furina annulata*, marked with black-and-white bands, also called *bandy-snake*: "The curious pink bandy-snakes that scuttled in and out of the bushes in the garden."

FRUTICETUM

(b) A collection of shrubs, *cf. Arboretum*, from the Latin *fruticetum* a place full of shrubs or bushes, from *frutex* a shrub or bush: "There is no separate arboretum, fruticetum, and herbaceous garden."

TIRSHATHA

(a) The title of an ancient Persian viceroy or prefect, applied in the Old Testament to Nehemiah, from the Old Persian *tarsâta* "his reverence", Septuagint Greek *atherastha*, Vulgate *athersatha*: "The Tirshatha appears to have been a royal commissioner invested with the full powers of a satrap or viceroy, and employed on a special mission."

UPLONG

(a) A strengthening bar extending along the sail of a windmill, from nothing more interesting than *up* + *long*: "There ought to be three uplongs to the driving, and two to the leading side, to strengthen the lattice."

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Klinsmann opens charm offensive

Simon Barnes sees much to admire in Tottenham Hotspur's controversial striker

MARC ASPLAND



Klinsmann gets his first taste of life under the media spotlight in England at yesterday's press conference

Jürgen Klinsmann, cult hate-figure of English football and Tottenham Hotspur's latest signing in their mad spending spree, introduced himself to his new country with the words: "Is there any diving school in London?"

Klinsmann, World Cup-winner with West Germany and notorious as a con-man and penalty-box diver, is also a footballer of rare charm and intelligence.

He handled his arrival press conference with effortless quantities of both. And all in English, of course. Nothing insular about Klinsmann.

He was signed by Tottenham's Argentine manager, Ossie Ardiles, and will play alongside the Romanian, Ilie Dumitrescu. The Argentinian is hoping the German and the Romanian will give Tottenham a touch of "Latin fantasy" next season: there is no faulting Tottenham's sense of adventure and their breadth of vision.

These, Klinsmann said, were the qualities that brought him on this little-trodden footballing road between Germany and England. They are qualities Klinsmann shares, and not just on football pitches. "I could have earned more money if I had stayed at Monaco. But I wanted to leave to make a new experience."

Klinsmann is 30: "I already made enough money to live after my career" and he is able to indulge his taste for the new. With him, the go-for-it mentality of any top athlete spills over into real life. That make him pretty unusual: And he handled questions about diving with spectacular ease of manner.

"If any one accuses me of diving, I will invite him for a couple of beers and ask him to show me when I dived." The answer to England's lack of love for him is to score a couple of goals. Both experiences could be interesting for everyone involved.

As for Tottenham fans, there was already a posse of them around the gates of the ground, and good many already wearing their Klinsmann shirts. And to cement that love? The dying seconds of the League Cup semi-finals at Highbury and the sides locked together at 0-0; Klinsmann surges into the penalty area, brushes past Tony Adams — penalty! Oh, they will love him at Spurs all right.

There's a lot to this fellow: Greenpeace supporter, which, on a day when London was gasping under the greenhouse effect and heaving with motor-car fumes, shows a certain depth of vision. He is also a prison visitor, has been involved with Bosnian relief, a village in Sarajevo and a project for children in Uganda.

Once his cult-status as master of the high-tariff dive has eroded under passage of weekly appearances, there is a lot to like about Klinsmann. If only all ogres were so agreeable.

His chairman, Alan Sugar, is another cult-ogre of football, sacker of El Tel and so on. But he is is currently basking in the world's notion that he has had a Damascus Road conversion to the glory game. Up to a point, Lord Copper. Sugar's spending spree, Dumitrescu, Klinsmann, and promises of more to come is not so much desire for glory as an almost physical need to shove it up Lancaster Gate, the Football Association and all who sail in her.

The FA, which fined Tottenham £1.5 million, docked them six points and barred them from this season's FA Cup for the financial irregularities of the pre-Sugar regime, has lifted Sugar into an ecstasy of defiance: "This is my chance to fight fire with fire. My way of hitting back at our friends at Lancaster Gate."

He talked about "throwing money at the problem and seeing what happens". Klinsmann said he was impressed by Sugar's determination to win the championship despite — or beacause of — the six-point handicap, and spoke about the European Cup the following season.

At this stage of the season, every club is a great club, and every player a champion. But there are odd things happening down at Tottenham. Teams notoriously play better when they have a man sent off: will the six-point loss lash Tottenham into a frenzy of collective will and total achievment when the real thing starts in, Lord help us, 15 days' time?

Rangers prepare for stern test of quality

By Kevin McCarra

THE company of Manchester United, Newcastle United and Sampdoria ensures that the Ibrox tournament will supply a torrid warm-up for Rangers this weekend. These gruelling glamour games provide the Scottish champions with preparation for their European Cup preliminary round tie against AEK Athens in Greece on Wednesday.

Somehow, Walter Smith's side must find a way of tuning up without being torn apart. This evening's matches see Rangers paired with Sampdoria before Manchester United take on Newcastle. The final and third-place play-off take place tomorrow.

It is, however, not simply United's allure and devil-may-care stars that makes it probable that Ibrox will be full. The chance to jeer at an England captain always sells tickets in Scotland, but David Platt, of Sampdoria, does not provide the prime fascination for the crowd either. Instead, Rangers' supporters ache for evidence that their team can flourish against such opponents.

The Ibrox club has stumped up a total of almost £6 million to secure Basile Boli from Marseilles and Brian Laudrup from Fiorentina, spending far more than any of their visitors this weekend — both signings will make their home debuts for the club during the tournament — but for all the previous expenditure, Rangers are left to envy clubs such as Sampdoria and Manchester United, who have each lifted the Cup Winners' Cup in recent times. Now, Rangers followers want to see how such illustrious signings will help realise their ambition of competing with European football's elite.

Organisers rescue Goodwill skating

THE organisers of the Goodwill Games in St Petersburg saved face yesterday morning by winning the battle to keep the figure skating competition, which was already delayed, at its original venue. A new cooling system, borrowed from the Russian subway system, was called in at the last minute and was able at last to produce a satisfactory surface at the Yubileiny Sports Palace.

"The first practice has taken place and it was successful," Vitaly Mutko, the deputy mayor of St Petersburg and deputy chairman of the local organising committee, said. "The figure skating will start at the Yubileiny complex." The Russians could work no such miracles with the wind, however. Calm conditions on the Gulf of Finland threatened to postpone the yachting schedule for the second day.

South Africa bow out

RUGBY UNION: South Africa complete their tour of New Zealand in Auckland tomorrow with only pride left to play for (David Hands writes). Nevertheless, victory in the final international would go some way towards softening the blow of a series lost and the damage done to the game by Johan le Roux, the prop, who was sent home after an ear-biting incident in the second international a fortnight ago.

The five changes they have made leave the relatively settled All Blacks favourites to make a clean sweep. South Africa's omissions include James Small, the wing, who has played in all 16 internationals since their return in 1992.

Higgins marches on

SQUASH: England finally halted the Egyptian advance that has blighted their campaign for the Hi-Tec world junior men's championship in Christchurch, New Zealand, when Iain Higgins, of Essex, defeated Ahmed Fayzi 9-6, 4-9, 10-8, 9-5 in a 78-minute quarter-final yesterday (Colin McQuillan writes). Adam Toes and Marcus Berrett fell earlier in the competition to Fayzi, 15, from Cairo. Higgins meets another Egyptian, Omer El Borollossy, in the semi-finals. Chris Tomlinson lost to Ahmed Barada, Egypt's top seed, 10-8, 9-7, 9-4 in a 53-minute encounter.

Hale's telling blow

BOXING: After his seventh-round victory over Hugh Forde, of Birmingham, in Bristol on Wednesday, Ross Hale plans another defence of his British light-welterweight title before his world championship bout in November so he can win a Lonsdale belt outright (Srikumar Sen writes). Hale stopped Forde with a solid blow but, for six rounds, the challenger made him look like a novice. Darren Fifield, of Oxford, put on a brave show but lacked the experience to beat Luigi Camputaro, of Italy, the European flyweight champion.

Curran gains selection

CYCLING: Paul Curran, a double gold medal-winner on the road at the Commonwealth Games in 1986 and the British track motor-paced champion, has been nominated for the latter event at the world championships in Palermo, Sicily later this month. Britain's last motor-paced medal winner was Joe Bunker, a professional, who finished third in Ghent in 1954. The world championship, now an "open" competition, is decided by two races, each of 30 kilometres, in which riders average some 70kph.

Petchey defeated



TENNIS: Mark Petchey, right, from Essex, has failed in his bid to reach the quarter-finals of the Los Angeles open tournament. Petchey, who beat Michael Chang, the No 1 seed, in the first round, lost 6-4, 7-6 to Mark Woodforde, the doubles specialist, from Australia. Alexander Volkov, of Russia, the No 4 seed, was beaten 6-4, 6-2 by Jan Apell, from Sweden, the world No 102, in 65 minutes.

Juniors moving up

BOWLS: Lisa Francis and Katherine Hawes, two of England's leading junior internationals, will be challenging for places in the quarter-finals of the Double Century Sherry national women's singles championship at Royal Leamington Spa today (David Rhys Jones writes). Francis, of Welford-on-Avon, who won the British under-25 singles title last week, will play Margaret Coles, of Kirton, in Suffolk, while Hawes, who helped Oxford to the national triples title two years ago, will play Kathleen Baxter, of Cumbria.

Ballesteros out of time

From Mel Webb in Munich

SEVERIANO Ballesteros got hot under the collar both figuratively and actually after falling foul of the stopwatch during the closing holes of his 69 at steamy St Eurach in the first round of the BMW International yesterday.

Ballesteros and his playing partners, Sven Struver and Peter Fowler, each had two breaches of the PGA European Tour's pace of play regulations while they were being timed by John Paramor, the Tour's chief referee, over the last five holes of a round played in intense heat. Ballesteros was not amused by what he saw as undue harrassment by Paramor, and said so in no uncertain terms.

"He was trying to rush us." Ballesteros said, his face bathed in beads of perspiration. "They have to think a little bit about the reasons why we were behind. We were all in trouble on our 12th hole — Peter double-bogeyed and Sven and I both had bogeys, and it takes time when you are in trouble. But he put pressure on us on the last five holes, making us rush our shots.

"It's not fair to have the referee push you all the time. If it made John Paramor happy to upset our games, he was doing a good job."

Ballesteros, who had six birdies and three bogeys to finish the day three strokes behind Andrew Murray, the leader, did not get much support from Fowler, the defending champion.

"John's got a job to do, and it's not an easy job," he said. "If he's put the watch on us, and we are behind, we've only got ourselves to blame."

Paramor was unrepentent about his actions. "They were advised that they were behind, and I started timing them from their second shots on the 5th. Seve took 45sec against the permitted time of 40 with his first putt on the 5th, and 64sec instead of 55 over his tee shot on the 8th. They were the worst offenders today, and I was only putting into effect the procedure we operate under."

Mike Stewart, the tournament director, said that the exertion of pressure was what referees were there for. "They took 4hr 42min for their round, 28min over the standard time," he said. "If a group gets badly out of position, they must expect to be timed."

None of the three players will be fined. Three timed breaches are needed before fines can be applied, but they can probably thank their lucky stars that Paramor did not show up a little earlier.

SCORES

EARLY FIRST-ROUND LEADERS (GB and Ire unless stated) 66: A Murray 67: T Levet (Fr), D Clarke, N Fasth (Swe), M Gronberg (Swe) 68: P Price, M Roe, J Spence, D Hospital (Sp), B Langer (Ger), R Drummond 69: O Eckstein (Ger), R Willison, H Clark, S Ballesteros (Sp), P O'Malley (Aus) 70: R Claydon, A Johnstone (Zim), S McAllister, R Mund (Ger), C Cassells, P Teravainen (US), S Tinning (Den), M McNulty (Zim). 71: R Boxall, J Cranford (US), J Hawkes (SA), A Oldcorn, P Affleck, R Chapman, M James, M Gates, A Collison, P Curry, R Rafferty, S Grappasonni (It), S Bottomley, J Quiros (Sp), M Poxon, P Golding, B Lane, J Bland (SA)

Knuth sets record pace

By Patricia Davies

ESTEFANIA Knuth, a slim, elegant 21-year-old from Barcelona, fluent in Spanish, German, French, English and golf, birdied her way to a course record of 67, five under par, in the first round of the New Skoda women's Scottish Open at Dalmahoy yesterday.

She had eight birdies, including three in the last four holes, to ease herself into the lead, one stroke ahead of Liselotte Neumann, Karen Lunn, the British Open champion, and Karina Orum. Laura Davies, Dale Reid and Florence Descampe were in the group on three under.

Knuth, whose father is German, is playing in only her sixth tournament as a professional. She had hoped to combine top-class golf — she was a member of the Spanish side that won the Espirito Santo, the women's world amateur team championship, in Vancouver two years ago — with her university studies in business administration but it was too much.

"University was getting each time harder," she explained, "so I decided to try the tour for a year and make a secure decision. If I am happy with the style of life and play a little good, my idea would be to play for five years."

So far, things are going well, although she was disqualified in Ireland last week for playing the wrong ball and not rectifying the mistake in time, and she was able to rattle off her finishes — 38th in the Ford Classic, twentieth in the Evian Masters, eighth in the BMW European Masters, seventeenth in the Hennessy Cup — with admirable precision.

Davies is now the 2-1 favourite with the bookmakers after finishing her round with her fourth birdie of the day. She crunched a driver without teeing up the ball and it travelled 263 yards uphill. A flip to eight feet with a sand iron and she had her three.

Among the spectators was a man dressed as a bag of Walkers crisps — ready-salted flavour. Everyone has a living to make and his might have appealed, momentarily, to Caroline Hall when the young Bristolian, four under par at the time, took nine at the 12th, a par four. It took her five blows to escape from a greenside bunker but she finished with a remarkable round of 71.

Another frazzled performer was Federica Dassu, the veteran Italian. Six under par, and leading, after four successive birdies from the 12th, she had a triple bogey seven at the 16th and a bogey at the 17th. *Ciao.*

SCORES

EARLY FIRST-ROUND LEADERS (GB and Ire unless stated) 67: E Knuth (Sp). 68: K Orum (Den), L Neumann (Swe), K Lunn (Aus) 69: F Descampe (Bel), C Hjalmarsson (Swe). D Reid, L Davies, S Waugh (Aus), W Doolan (Aus) 70: L Hackney H Alfredsson (Swe) F Dassu (Italy): P Grice-Whittaker L Mantz-Adkins (SA) 71: C Hall: S Hodge; P Meunier (Fr): C Dibnah (Aus): J Geddes (US). K Marshall: C Figg-Currier (US): S Gautrey (Aus). 72: L Lambert (Aus): A Nicholas: L Fairclough. C Nilsmark (Swe). E Orley (Swi). J Morley. H Dobson. X Wunsch (Spain). A Radford: M Burstrom (Swe)

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Florida 9 Chicago 8. Cincinnati 17 San Francisco 4. Houston 2 Colorado 1. Montreal 8 St Louis 3. Philadelphia 7 Pittsburgh 0. New York 3 Atlanta 2. San Diego 4 Los Angeles 2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Boston 7 Toronto 2. Minnesota 4 Baltimore 3. New York 2 Milwaukee 1 (in 7 innings). Cleveland 7 Detroit 4. Kansas City 9 Oakland 5. Texas 11 Chicago 8. Seattle 8 California 4

BOWLS

LEAMINGTON SPA: EWBA triples championship: Final: C Winter, P Garden, D Hankin (Egham, Surrey) bt E Swadling, P Jose, J Reynolds (Penryn, Cornwall) 17-8

Singles: Preliminary round: M Fisher (Warboys, Huntingdon) bt G Johnson (Alderbury, Wiltshire) 21-15 J Wilson (Edenside, Carlisle) bt E Bessell (Yeovil) 21-15. L Young (Moffat, Northumberland) bt P Hilson (Tescoe, Cheshunt) 21-11. I Wheeler (Greenhill, Dorset) bt L Metcalfe (Swinton, Yorkshire) 21-10; D Bowtle (Westminster Brackley) bt L Kidd (Highworth, Wiltshire) 21-19. P Lee (Plymouth Civil Service) bt A Taylor (Guildford) 21-14 First round: L Young (Moffat, Northumberland) bt I Wheeler (Greenhill, Dorset) 21-3, J Wilson (Carlisle Edenside) bt M Fisher (Warboys, Huntingdon) 21-18, P Lee (Plymouth CS) bt D Bowtle (Westminster Brackley, Northamptonshire) 21-10; S Bloomfield (Connaught, Essex) bt A Birtle (Clevedon Promenade) 21-7, C Smith (Park, Lincoln) bt V Sayward (Southport) 21-7, K Martin (Atherley, Hampshire) bt C Crews (St Stephen, St Austell) 21-6; P Smart (Long Eaton Silver Band) bt P Symons (Hangleton, Sussex) 21-14, P Kirk (Wealdstone) bt V Pedlingham (Eastnor, Hereford) 21-9, P Margrett (Tewkesbury) bt P Sherwood (Shanklin, Isle of Wight) 21-20; K Hawes (City and County of Oxford) bt J Plumb (Rothwell Conservatives, Northamptonshire) 21-20; B Mackerness (Starcross, Devon) bt A Parker (Carlton Conway, Nottinghamshire) 21-4, K Bader (Wigton, Cumbria) bt J McPhail (Manor Park, Malvern) 21-5; M Coles (Kirton, Suffolk) bt J Balding (Spalding) 21-12, S Lee (North Walsham, Norfolk) bt C Instone (Dunnington, Yorkshire) 21-9; L Francis (Welford-on-Avon, Warwickshire) bt C Anton (Peterborough and District) 21-12; E Messer (Cambridge Chesterton) bt M Hall (Barnes West End, Sunderland) 21-4. J Jackson (Edmonton) bt J Howlett (Melcombe Regis, Dorset) 21-19, I Molyneux (City and County of Oxford) bt M Miller (Leigh Park, Hampshire) 21-13, L Sandoz (Gilt Edge, Kidderminster) bt S Williams (Kirkley Park, Suffolk) 21-8, J Newman (St Austell) bt H Tucker (Maidenhead) 21-19. J Bennett (Bembridge, Isle of Wight) bt C Percival (Countesthorpe, Leicestershire) 21-18; C Duarte (Magdalen Park, Surrey) bt A Karslake (Bushey, Hertfordshire) 21-10, R Buck (Acle, St Edmunds, Norfolk) bt Y Bacon (Langford, Bedfordshire) 21-9; J Nottage (Woolwich and Plumstead) bt M Osborne (St Neots, Cambridgeshire) 21-17 M Shuttleworth (Ponteland, Northumberland) bt S Thomas (Rugby Thornfield) 21-13. A Porter (Carlton Conway, Nottinghamshire) bt C Swan (Bolton, Lancashire) 21-6. D Whittingham (Kingsway Hove) bt T Brown (Barnes West End, Sunderland) 21-13 M Green (High Wycombe) bt V Dawes (Hereford St Martins) 21-9. P Tomkins (Ampthill, Bedfordshire) bt R Message (Loughborough) 21-12; I Betke (Thaxted, Essex) bt C A Snell (Milton Regis, Kent) 21-8; T Wareham (Nailsworth, Gloucestershire) bt P Pond (Tilehurst, Berkshire) 21-18

Fours: First round: Blackwell bt Townsend 30-9, Kibworth bt Dudleigh Salterton 21-19; Wantage bt Nuclear Electric 24-15 Second round: Peterborough bt Skegness Vine 24-13; Rodbourne bt West Cornwall 23-15, Balderton bt North Walsham 23-15, Liberty of Havering bt Durham City 19-18; Palm Cottage bt Hinckley Sweet Pea 26-14; Workington bt Kingswood and Hanham 31-13, Broomfield bt Oxford 19-14, Seaton Burn bt Brixham 22-12; Southey bt Bodmin 25-12. Tilehurst bt Totland 20-11, Langford bt Otley, Suffolk 17-15; Southbourne bt Banbury Central 19-18; Kingsthorpe bt Bridport 18-14, Carlton Conway bt Manor Park 30-15

BOXING

BRISTOL: European flyweight championship (12 rds): Luigi Camputaro (It) bt Darren Fifield (Oxford) pts British and Commonwealth Light-welterweight championship (12 rnds) Ross Hale (Bristol, holder) bt Hugh Forde (Birmingham) rsc 7th rnd Cruiser (8 rds) Leif Keiski (Miami) bt Nigel Rafferty (Wolverhampton) rsc 5th rnd Cruiser (8 rnds) Przemyslaw Salera (Pol) bt Terry Dixon (Westham) pts Middle (6 rds). Darren Dorrington (Bristol) bt Gary Pemberton (Cardiff) ko 4th rnd Middle (8 rnds) Dean Cooper (Bristol) bt Spencer Alton (Alfreton) rsc 6th rnd Light-middle (6 rnds). Colin Priers (Birmingham) bt Sean Baker (Bristol) pts Super-feather (6 rnds). Greg Upton (Teignmouth) bt Peter Buckley (Birmingham) pts Fly (6 rds) Paul Ingle (Scarborough) bt Tony Hanna (Birmingham) pts

CRICKET

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Southend: Yorkshire 219 and 281-8 dec (C A Chapman 55, C J O'Ricketts 4-59) Essex 220 and 217 (I D Fisher 5-57, J D Batty 5-99) Yorkshire won by 63 runs Maidstone: Kent 238 and 241-6 dec (D P Fulton 81): Hampshire 227 and 206 (R M F Cox 61; N W Preston 4-41). Kent won by 46 runs. Nottingham: Gloucestershire 273 and 271-9 (G E Hodgson 127. Alford 4-93). Nottinghamshire 473-3 dec (P R Pollard 277 not out. M P Dowman 134no). Match drawn. Old Trafford: Sussex 327-7 dec (K Newell 94, N Pratt 61). Lancashire 90-3 dec (DJ Shadford 51 not out) and 105-1 (M E Harvey 61 not out) Match drawn. Chester-le-Street: Middlesex 286-9dec (R J Sims 62): Durham 250-8dec (A R Fothergill 55 not out) Match drawn Oval: Glamorgan 363-7 dec (R D B Croft 88, S P James 80. A Jones 67 not out) and 207-5 dec (J Bishop 59) Surrey 300-7dec (M A Butcher 83, N F Sargeant 62) and 74-1 Match drawn.

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Lakenham: Norfolk 226-6 dec and 238-5 dec (C J Rogers 116): Northumberland 162 and 56 (A P Cole 4-6, R A Bunting 4-15) Norfolk beat Northumberland by 246 runs Torquay: Shropshire 36-3 v Devon.

WOMEN'S CRICKET ASSOCIATION: Final: Yorkshire 233 (D Maybury 68, A Elder 50; G Morris 4-49), East Midlands 123 (J Tedstone 4-5, N Holt 3-32): Yorkshire won by 110 runs. Places: Surrey 205-7 (Jan Britton 97 not out) East Anglia 126-9 (C Barrs 5-22) Surrey won by 80 runs West Midlands 226-3 (T Crump 97 not out, B Daniels 76, J Tetley 3-28). Kent 151-6 West Midlands won by 75 runs. Lancashire and Cheshire 160-6 (R Heggs 3-5); Middlesex 159-4 Lancashire and Cheshire won by four wickets. Surrey seconds 246-6 (M Nicholls 84, J Oussier 49 not out. C Rogers 4-55). West 125 Surrey seconds won by 121 runs Thames Valley 134-3 (M Godliman 54 not out). Sussex 133-6 Thames Valley won by seven wickets. Final standings: 1, Yorkshire. 2, East Midlands; 3, Surrey: 4, East Anglia; 5, West Midlands. 6. Kent. 7, Lancashire and Cheshire. 8. Middlesex. 9. Surrey second XI; 10. West: 11. Thames Valley. 12. Sussex.

EQUESTRIANISM

THE HAGUE: World Driving Championships: (after first day of dressage): 1, M Freund (Ger) 124 0: 2, H Rueschin (Switz) 120 8. 3. H de Ruyter (Holl) 109 6. British: equal 11, K Bassett and A Holder 100 4

FOOTBALL

PRE-SEASON MATCHES: Jyvaskyla (Fin) 0 Aberdeen 3: Rotherham 0 Notts County 1. Cowdenbeath 1 Hibernian 2. Caledonian 0 Bolton Wanderers 2. Falkirk 1 Luton Town 3. Millwall 0 FC Porto 1; Southend 2 Ipswich Town 1. Swansea City 0 West Bromwich Albion 3. Wolverhampton Wanderers 1 Manchester United XI 2. Plymouth Argyle 2 Torquay United 2: Barnet 0 Reading 0. Brentford 0 QPR 0: Fulham 1 Watford 1: Sligo Rovers 0 Kilmarnock 3.

GOLF

GOG MAGOG, Cambridgeshire: British Girls' Open championship: Second round: R Hudson (Wheatley) bt V Smolin (Ger) 3 and 1. G Nutter (Prestwich) bt L Iguaran (Sp) 1 hole. S Coverley (Woodsome Hall) bt C Lorens (Fr) 2 hole; G Esteri (Ger) bt A Thevenin-Lemoine (Fr) 1 hole. M-J Pons (Sp) bt J-M Busutil (Fr) 2 and 1. A Sanchez (Sp) bt E-L Stromlid (Swe) 1 hole, J Cangan (Tewkesbury Park) bt M Friberg (Swe) 4 and 3. A Vincent (Fr) bt I.I Cosenza (It) 6 and 5

GOODWILL GAMES

BASKETBALL: Women: Group A: United States 77 Russia 63 Group B: France 65 Canada 57

CANOEING: Men: 1,000m: Canadian: Singles: 1, I Klementyev (Pol) 4min 19.20sec. 2, A Kostoglod (Russ) 4 20 89, 3 A Gramovich (Belorus) 4:35.18 Pairs: 1, C Frederiksen and B Dokkedal (Den) 3min 56 54sec 2, P Konovalov and A Kabanov (Russ) 4 00 58 3, V Dobrotvorsky and A Balabanov (Ukr) 4 01 47 Kayak Singles: 1, K Hormann (Nor) 3min 47 18sec: 2, S Veran (Russ) 3 49 84, 3, M Herbert (US) 3 51 48 Pairs. 1, A Tishchenko and O Gorobiy (Russ) 3min 30 83sec: 2 M Harbold and P Newton (US) 3 31.80. 3, A Pyatov and A Barzukov (Ukr) 3 37 00 Women: 500m. Kayak Pairs: 1, I Vaag and O Tishchenko (Russ) 1min 47 13sec: 2, E Urbanczyk and B Jacod (Pol) 1 47 86, 3, A Olsson and S Rosengvist (Swe) 1 50.95

DIVING: Men: 1m springboard: 1, Sheng Chen (China) 397 08pts: 2, A Semenyuk (Belorus) 358 92; 3 F McMahon (US) 357.86.

GYMNASTICS: Men: Overall. 1 A Nemov (Russ) 57 875pts. 2, A Voropayev (Russ) 56 775. 3, Y Shabayev (Russ) 56.525.

VOLLEYBALL: Women: Semi-final series: United States 3 China 0

SWIMMING

COVENTRY: Speedo National Age Group championships: Boys: Under 16: 100m backstroke. 1, H O'Connor (Ire) 2min 10.55sec. Under 15: 200m backstroke 1, A Johnson (City of Cardiff) 2min 10.28sec Girls: Under 16: 100m butterfly: 1, G Hey (Borough of Kirklees) 1min 3 61sec.

SQUASH

CHRISTCHURCH, New Zealand: Men's world junior championship: Quarter-finals: A Barada (Egypt) bt C Tomlinson (Eng) 10-8, 9-7, 9-4, T Lincou (Fr) bt M Fitani (Aus) 4-9, 8-10, 9-7, 9-4, 9-5: O El Borollossy (Egypt) bt J Lee (HK) 9-0, 9-0, 9-5; I Higgins (Eng) bt A Fayzi (Egypt) 9-6, 4-9, 10-8, 9-5

TENNIS

LOS ANGELES: Second round (US unless stated): J Apell (Swe) bt A Volkov (Russ) 6-4, 6-2; M Woodforde (Aus) bt M Petchey (GB) 6-4, 7-6. J Palmer bt L Mattar (Br) 3-6, 6-3, 6-4.

PRAGUE: Men's tournament: Second round: A Medvedev (Ukr) bt D Skoch (Cz) 6-4, 6-1. A Costa (Sp) bt J Cunha-Silva (Por) 6-0, 0-6, 6-1

KITZBÜHEL: Men's tournament: Second round: R Fromberg (Aus) bt R Burtscher (Austria) 7-5, 6-1; S Noszaly (Hun) bt H Skoff (Austria) 6-3, 6-3; T Muster (Austria) bt L Glona (US) 6-3, 6-7, 6-1; R Furlan (It) bt D Polyakov (Ukr) 6-1, 6-3, R Agenor (Haiti) bt R Jabali (Br) 6-4, 6-0; F Clavet (Sp) bt E Alvarez (Sp) 6-7, 6-2, 6-4 O Gross (Ger) bt A Cherkasov (Russ) 6-2, 6-1, J-A Viloca (Sp) bt Y El Aynaoui (Mor) 5-7, 7-6, 7-6, T Carbonell (Sp) bt A Olshovsky (Russ) 6-4, 3-6, 6-1; F Meligeni (Br) bt B Karbacher (Ger) 6-4, 6-4 Third round: G Schaller (Austria) bt Noszaly 6-3, 6-3, Gross bt Agenor 6-4, 6-3; Muster bt Viloca 6-3, 6-3, F Santoro (Fr) bt J Burillo (Sp) 6-3, 6-4.

SAN DIEGO: Women's tournament: (US Unless stated) Second round: C Martinez (Sp) bt N Baudone (It) 6-0, 6-4. S Appelmans (Bel) bt M-A Vento (Ven) 6-4, 6-2. T Whitlinger-Jones bt N Tauziat (Fr) 6-4, 4-6, 6-4, N Medvedeva (Ukr) bt M Jackson Nobrega 4-6, 6-3, 6-3; A Grossman bt R Grande (It) 6-3, 6-1. A Gavaldon (Mex) bt G Fernandez (US) 6-4, 6-7, 6-4, C Singer (Ger) bt J Nejedly 2-6, 6-4, 6-4. I Majoli (Cro) bt J Durie (GB) 6-2, 2-6, 7-5. G Helgeson bt A Henricksson 6-0 7-5; M Werdel bt J Watanabe 7-6, 2-6 7-5. A Sánchez Vicario (Sp) bt S Testud (Fr) 6-1, 6-3; J Novotna (Cz) bt R McQuillan (Aus) 6-4, 6-2 Third round: S Graf (Ger) bt L Raymond (US) 6-7, 6-2, 6-2

YACHTING

MEDINA COWES WEEK: Royal Yacht Squadron and Cowes Town Regatta: CHS Class 1: 1, Sidewinder (D Best): 2, Crackerjack (K Miller). 3. Indulgence (G Walker) CHS Class 2: 1. Tomate (P Core and J Fabry). 2, Runaway (R Kemp): 3. X Pro (G Williams) CHS Class 3: 1, Tamam (P Zoecch): 2. Thrust (M Struth): 3. Eric The K Boat (R Freeman). CHS Class 4: 1. French Barret (P Dyer): 2. Prime Cut (P Parker). 3. Jimmy Cricket (M and B Harrison) CHS Class 5: 1, Maverick (C Dearlove). 2, Addict (I Handley) 3. Trailblazer (J Layfield). CHS Class 6. 1, Floater (B Aaron). 2. Google Eye (P Staples); 3. Quantasia (M Brown) J24: 1. Fuzzy Duck (P Woodman); 2, Fruitcakes (J Bullock and A Wilson); 3, Scandal (S Hanes). Mermaid: 1, Rosemary (R French). 2, Haiiuf (J and R Hill). 3. Sirena (C Tilley and R Ohlenschlager). Squib: 1. Moonraker (P Tracey), 2. Jaap (M Strange). 3. Hussar (Mrs T Mattinson) Flying 15: 1, Avalon (A Goodman and I Corvin); 2, Mr Toad (P Rushing); 3, Forrader (D Rutherford) Mumm 36: 1. Ferocious (J Wembley): 2. Shogun (C Shatwell) 3. Destiny Angel (J Oswald) Etchells: 1, Raptor (A Eichenauer), 2. Hawk (N Bramwell); 3, Dangerous Liaison (F Graham and T Copsey). Daring: 1. Deva (J Dobson). 2. Dauntless (P Porter and G Peckham): 3, Audax (P Romer-Lee) Dragon: 1. Fornder (Dr B Baird and I Coryn); 2. Jerboa III (P Dyas): 3. Temeraire VII (A Bulmer) Sigma 38: 1. Summer Pudding (D Knight); 2. Wind's Will (R Kendrick and M Green); 3. Paracelcus (J Chawner). Sigma 33: 1. Solitude Too (P and S Taylor), 2. Shadowlax (J Nelson); 3, Honey of Bosham (J Platt and D Palmer) Sonata: 1. Cadenzza (C Brig and J Froy); 2. Am'metoo (D Hopkins); 3, Missred (M and S Saffer) Redwing: 1. Redwing (Sir Walter Blount): 2, Siskin (T and Mrs M Douglas-Scott); 3, Curlew (Mrs M Benham) Sunbeam: 1. Jenny (A Stannah and A Robinson); 2. Santa Baby (M Williamson); 3. Ecstasy (S Stoddard). Swallow: 1, Echo (C Boddy and S Miller); 2. Archon (J Vernon); 3. Goosander (M Upton and N Pattinson) Victory: 1, Nada (I Parryman and N Benham); 2. Zinnia (J Lear), 3, Blackbird (R Brown and N Hill). SCOD: 1, Tuonela (R Harding); 2. Tio Pepe (T and D Rooke); 3, Mahogany Lop (A and P Hill); XOD: 1. Lone Star (M White): 2. Vanity (W McNeill and A Tredree): 3, Magic Dragon (D Oddie).

LA ROCHELLE: World championships: Laser: Men: 1, F Bruni (It); 2, R Scheidt (Br): 3, A Kiniuk (Russ); 4, M Littlejohn (GB). 470: Men: 1, M Castro and M Casciola (Arg): 2, K Yamada and B Saito (Japan): 3, J Merricks and I Walker (GB). Women: 1, T Zabell and B Via Dufresne (Sp); 2, M Quarra and A Barabino (It); 3, N Bover and Patricia Guerra, (Sp). Hobie 16: Open: 1, E Figueroa and C Malatrasi (P Rico); 2, S Ferry and L Alison (SA); 3, P Marvis and Martin Van de Bunt (Holl). Women: 1. B Klasse and M Brache (SA); 2, K Ireland and V Tanner (Aus); 3, L Holman and J Herald (SA) J-24: Men: 1, P Ahlby (Swe); 2, A Gonzalo (Sp); 3, M Gravere (Swe); 5, S Jardine (GB). J-22: Women: 1, C Brand (Fr); 2. Amy Waring (NZ); 3, N Woehren (Ger)

MUMBLES: Frebent Laser II European championships: Race 5: 1. S Murray and P Kameen (GB). 2, I Fryatt and H Kathro (GB): 3, L Syndenham and D Gamble (GB)

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PLUMPTON

THUNDERER

2.30 Sedimentary. 3.00 Manhattan Boy. 3.30 Striding Edge. 4.00 Bonus Point. 4.30 Lake Dominion. 5.00 Oh So Handy.

GOING: FIRM (HARD IN PLACES) SIS

2.30 SUSSEX EXPRESS JUVENILE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,831: 2m 1f) (8 runners)

1 BIRD ISLAND 38F J White 10-12 A Maguire
2 HOODLUM 23F D Thom 10-12 R Campbell
3 SEDIMENTARY 13F G Bravery 10-12 R Dunwoody
4 TEMPS PERDU 284F (B) C Egerton 10-12 J Osborne
5 TSWANA 46F M Campion 10-12 M Richards
6 YOUNG AT HEART 20F M Haynes 10-12 D Skyrme
7 CHANTELYS 11F M Ryan 10-7 J Ryan
8 SOUTHDOWN GIRL 20F P Butler 10-7 M A Fitzgerald

9-4 Bird Island, 7-2 Chantelys, 9-2 Tswana, 5-1 Sedimentary, 7-1 Young At Heart, 8-1 Hoodlum, 10-1 Temps Perdu, 12-1 Southdown Girl.

3.00 BIG BANG SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,799: 2m 1f) (6)

1 530- MANHATTAN BOY 137 (CD,F,G,S) J Ffitch-Heyes 12-11-12 R Dunwoody
2 040- KELLY'S DARLING 79 (F) J White 8-11-2 A Maguire
3 423- WILTOSKI 67 (B,F,G) R Ledger 6-11-1 Mrs N Ledger
4 PPP/ FAYNAZ 11F (G) A Moore 8-10-12 D Gallagher
5 206/ CAROLE'S KING 45F (B,F) K Burke 6-10-7 G Crone (7)
6 400- KEY DEAR 11F (B,D,F) R Juckes 7-10-0 N Williamson

2-1 Manhattan Boy, 5-2 Kelly's Darling, 3-1 Wiltoski, 6-1 Carole's King, 8-1 Faynaz, 14-1 Key Dear.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: C Egerton, 10 winners from 20 runners, 50.0%; J White, 36 from 135, 26.7%, R Juckes, 5 from 23, 21.7%, J Jenkins, 15 from 80, 18.8%; M Haynes, 3 from 20, 15.0%.

JOCKEYS: A Maguire, 35 winners from 126 rides, 27.8%; R Dunwoody, 30 from 123, 24.4%; J Osborne, 10 from 43, 23.3%, N Williamson, 6 from 30, 20.0%. D Skyrme, 9 from 60, 15.0%.

3.30 ELLIS & PARTNERS HANDICAP CHASE (£2,611: 2m) (5)

1 1P6- FIGHTING DAYS 139 (C,F,G) A Moore 8-11-10 D Gallagher
2 00-1 SLIPPERY MAX 4 (D,F,G) R Juckes 10-11-7 (6ex) D Bridgwater
3 F06- STRIDING EDGE 67 (D,F,G) R O'Sullivan 9-10-13 D O'Sullivan
4 225- GREEN WALK 66 (CD,F) R Rowe 7-10-11 C Burnett-Wells
5 431- WAYWARD WIND 82 (F) J White 10-10-10 A Maguire

9-4 Slippery Max, 11-4 Wayward Wind, Green Walk, 5-1 Fighting Days, 6-1 Striding Edge.

4.00 ALFRED MCALPINE CONSTRUCTION HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,867: 2m 1f) (4)

1 135- BONUS POINT 275 (F) C Egerton 4-12-0 J Osborne
2 205- COMSTOCK 239 (G) John Whyte 7-12-0 R Dunwoody
3 25-4 SAFETY 6 (B,C,D,F,G) J White 7-11-12 A Maguire
4 503- DO BE WARE 125 J Ffitch-Heyes 4-10-0 A Thornton (3)

7-4 Safety, 9-4 Comstock, 5-2 Bonus Point, 9-2 Do Be Ware.

4.30 GOLDEN LION CHILDREN'S TRUST NOVICES CHASE (£2,214: 2m) (4)

1 03-2 WALLISTRANO 7 (B) J Upson 7-11-7 R Supple
2 YEOMAN SOUND 706F J Jenkins 6-11-7 N Williamson
3 321- LAKE DOMINION 55F (F,G) J White 5-11-4 D Skyrme
4 440- BARTON ROYAL 71 (G) P Hitchens 4-10-5 Richard Guest

6-4 Lake Dominion, 7-4 Barton Royal, 3-1 Wallistrano, 8-1 Yeoman Sound.

5.00 KAYS FOOD GROUP NOVICES HURDLE (£1,751: 2m 4f) (6)

1 46P- CELTIC BLAZE 97P B Pearce 8-11-0 D Gallagher
2 655- OH SO HANDY 67 R Curtis 6-11-0 D Morris
3 CUSHTY 11F R Voorspuy 5-10-9 D O'Sullivan
4 HARLEQUIN GIRL 17F J Ffitch-Heyes 6-10-9 A Maguire
5 050- OMIDJOY 9F J Jenkins 4-10-5 N Williamson
6 3-4 TIL FRIDAY 6 M Ryan 4-10-5 J Ryan

11-4 Til Friday, 3-1 Oh So Handy, Omidjoy, 5-1 Harlequin Girl, 7-1 Cushty, Celtic Blaze.

☐ Victor Lukaniuk was handed a three-day whip ban after winning the amateur riders' race on Cast The Line at Pontefract yesterday.

Red Route misses Ebor for Newbury

By Julian Muscat

BETTING markets for the Tote Ebor Handicap have been unsteady since the weights were officially published last month. Uncertainty has surrounded the participation of two improving three-year-olds and one of them, Red Route, an 8-1 chance, was yesterday diverted from the Ebor to the Geoffrey Freer Stakes at Newbury a week tomorrow.

Bookmakers may yet have to re-evaluate their Ebor prices if Luca Cumani elects to bypass the 14-furlong York handicap with Midnight Legend, who carried 9st 7lb to a decisive victory at Goodwood last week.

The Newmarket trainer stressed yesterday he was in no hurry to finalise the three-year-old's itinerary. "I would advise anyone wanting to back Midnight Legend for the Ebor to do so only with a run," Cumani said yesterday. "I've a completely open mind at this stage and I will probably delay a decision until the end of next week."

Both colts have improved markedly since they clashed in the King George V Handicap at Royal Ascot, where Midnight Legend, in receipt of 6lb, outgalloped Red Route by three lengths. The Cumani-trained horse was set to reoppose at York on 7lb better terms. Nevertheless, Hills yesterday eased Midnight Legend to 9-1 from a point shorter. Ironically, Hills, Ladbrokes and the Tote all reported heavy Ebor support for Red Route yesterday.

The decision to send Red Route to Newbury is in keeping with the policy of the Freedman family's Cliveden Stud, which owns the son of Polish Precedent. Phillip Freedman, who is responsible for the Cliveden operation, explained: "We are keen to establish whether Red Route is good enough to tackle the St Leger, and the Geoffrey Freer is a much more suitable prep race for him. It would be hard for him to give weight to a lot of older horses in the Ebor."

A winning run by Red Route at Newbury would enhance the value of his yearling half-brother, by Caerleon, who is to be auctioned at the Goffs yearling sales in October.

Should Midnight Legend miss the Ebor, Cumani will choose between the Great Voltigeur Stakes, also at York, and the March Stakes at Goodwood before a possible tilt at the St Leger. However, the Bedford Lodge handler is keen to avoid locking horns with Broadway Flyer before the Doncaster classic. As a result, Cumani will be disappointed to hear that John Hills is aiming Broadway Flyer at the Great Voltigeur as opposed to a £150,000 race at Hoppegarten in Germany.

"I thought long and hard about the Hoppegarten contest," Hills said yesterday, "but in the end I decided against it. The St Leger is Broadway Flyer's objective and we have to gear everything with that in mind. We might take too much out of the horse by dragging him across Europe and back."

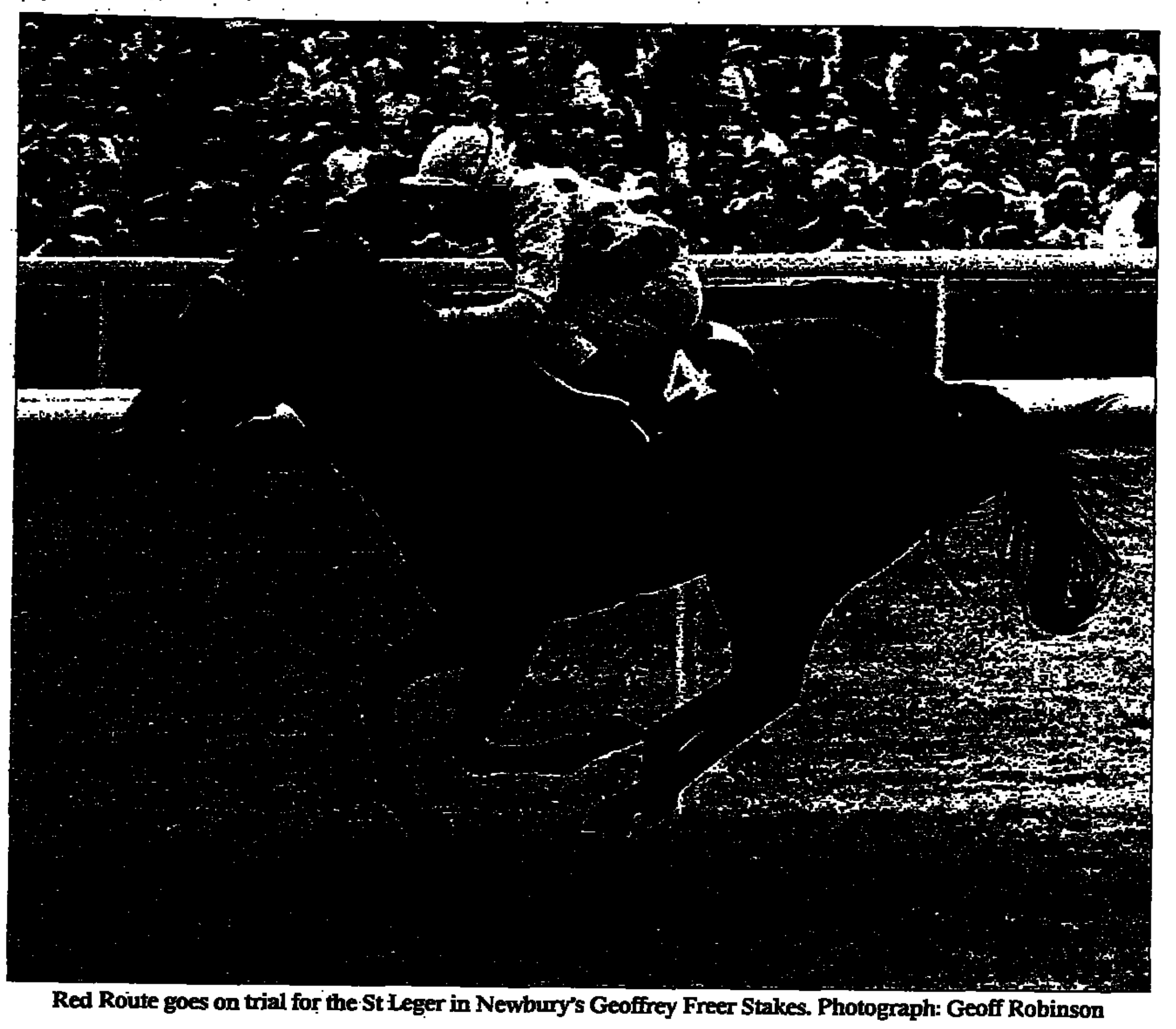
The Cumani-trained Suplizi, beaten a neck by Broadway Flyer in the Gordon Stakes at Goodwood, may oppose Red Route at Newbury. However, he is not heading for the St Leger.

Dermot Weld also sounded a cautionary note about Blazing Spectacle, the Ebor favourite. The Curragh trainer warned that he has a selection of races to consider for his improving stayer before he decides his next step.

Weld said yesterday: "It is interesting that, until now, nobody has asked me if the horse was going to run. All I can say is he is entered and we are considering running, but that is all. He is not a certain runner by any manner of means. There are other possibilities for him, including a listed race in Ireland at about the same time."

He added: "If I bring him over and the ground is firm, I expect the horse to run a very big race, but I must advise caution."

After winning a small conditions race at Tipperary on Monday, the four-year-old was backed in a manner reminiscent of the successful gamble struck about Vintage Crop before the 1992 Cesarewitch. Blazing Spectacle was available at 33-1 earlier this week before a flurry of support sent his odds tumbling to 7-1 with Hills. Others to find favour yesterday were Lombardic, now 20-1 from 33-1, and Wings Cove, a 20-1 shot from 25-1.



Red Route goes on trial for the St Leger in Newbury's Geoffrey Freer Stakes. Photograph: Geoff Robinson

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: ISLAND BLADE (6.00 Newmarket)

Next best: Join The Clan (7.00 Newmarket)

REDCAR

THUNDERER

2.40 Leap Year Baby. 3.10 Miss Movie World. 3.40 Galora. 4.10 Gold Desire. 4.40 High Low. 5.10 Knight Of Poland.

Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.10 **MISS MOVIE WORLD.**

GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 .. B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing; J if jumps. F if flat. (B — blinkers. V — visor. H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner. D — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard. G — good. S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO FIRM IN BACK STRAIGHT) SIS
DRAW: 5F-7F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

2.40 BEDALE SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,924: 6f) (13 runners)

101 (12) 203232 DURGAMS FIRST 7 (Mrs S Todd) Mrs M Reveley 8-11 .. K Darley 97
102 (7) 4300 FLAMBORO 13 (Footballers' Racing Club) J Bethell 8-11 .. N Connorton 85
103 (10) 06 HIDDEN GOLD 7 (V) (Ms P Watson) J Hetherton 8-11 .. N Kennedy —
104 (2) 06 KINGDOM 23 (B) (Highclere Thoroughbred Racing Ltd) G Lewis 8-11 Pat Eddery 93
105 (4) 010505 MY FIRST PAISE 23 (D,F) (W Paterson) N Tinkler 8-11 .. Kim Tinkler 88
106 (9) PORTEND (N Kavanagh) S Kettlewell 8-11 .. J Fortune —
107 (8) 433142 SLY DANCER 21 (F) (Mrs P Weymes) E Weymes 8-11 .. L Dettori 99
108 (11) WEST FARM BOY (Mrs A Page) J Berry 8-11 .. J Carroll —
109 (3) ABSOLUTE MILLIONS (B) (Million In Mind Partnership) J Watts 8-6 .. P Robinson —
110 (6) 240335 BENTEN 13 (B) (J Ranson) C Fairhurst 8-6 .. J Stack (7) 98
111 (5) 06 JHAN JEON 80 (Mrs J Jackson) R Fahey 8-6 .. M Birch —
112 (13) 30 LASS OF KINLOCH 10 (M Paver) M Brittain 8-6 .. J Fanning 87
113 (1) 04 LEAP YEAR BABY 16 (BF) (D Gray) H Cecil 8-6 .. A McGlone 85

BETTING: 3-1 Durgams First, 9-2 Sly Dancer, 6-1 Benten, 7-1 Leap Year Baby, Flamboro, 8-1 West Farm Boy, Lass Of Kinloch, 10-1 others.

1993: BENEFICIARY 8-8 M Birch (Evens fav) M H Easterby 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

DURGAMS FIRST ½l 2nd of 6 to Noor El Houdah in seller at Edinburgh (7f, good to firm) with HIDDEN GOLD 14½l last. KINGDOM 14½l 6th of 10 to Opaline in maiden at Sandown (7f, good). SLY DANCER 1½l 2nd of 6 to Russian Heroine in nursery at Hamilton (5f, good to soft). BENTEN 9l 5th of 14 to The Happy Fox in maiden auction at Southwell (AW, 5f). LASS OF KINLOCH 11l 8th of 9 to Rosey Nosey in maiden auction at Beverley (5f, good to firm). LEAP YEAR BABY 2½l 4th of 9 to Castletown Count in seller here (7f, good to firm). Selection: LEAP YEAR BABY

3.10 BENEFICIARY APPRECIATION FILLIES HANDICAP (£3,652: 5f) (9 runners)

201 (5) 155 PALO BLANCO 15 (D,F) (J Brown) T Barron 3-9-10 .. J Fortune 92
202 (7) 34200 PRATIQUE 22 (K Abdulla) J Gosden 3-9-9 .. Pat Eddery 92
203 (1) 4-44011 PETRINA BAY 18 (CD,F,G) (G Goodyear) R Whitaker 3-9-7 .. A Culhane 88
204 (6) 306-114 IRADAH 28 (D,BF,F,G) (H Al Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 3-9-6 .. R Hills 85
205 (8) 6056 LOCAL HEROINE 10 (V,D,F) (Mrs L Meylan) J Berry 4-9-3 .. J Carroll 91
206 (3) 006460 PRIMULA BAIRN 20 (V,D,G,S) (Kavli) Mrs J Ramsden 4-9-2 .. N Connorton 90
207 (4) 000-511 MISS MOVIE WORLD 9 (D,F,G,S) M Hammond 5-9-0 (7ex) .. J Marshall (5) 99
208 (2) 000016 BALIANA 9 (B,C,D,F) (J Portmous) C Booth 4-8-8 .. L Dettori 90
209 (9) 051302 INDIAN CRYSTAL 16 (V,D,F,G) (Mrs B Matthews) M Johnston 3-8-2 .. M Roberts 89

BETTING: 3-1 Miss Movie World, 7-2 Indian Crystal, 9-2 Petrina Bay, 11-2 Palo Blanco, 6-1 Iradah, 7-1 others.

1993: LOVE RETURNED 5-10-0 M Tebbutt (7-2) W Jarvis 7 ran

FORM FOCUS

PALO BLANCO 5¾l 5th of 7 to Robin Lake in handicap at Doncaster (6f, good to firm). PRATIQUE 9l 7th of 9 to Sweet Magic in handicap at Sandown (5f, good). PETRINA BAY beat INDIAN CRYSTAL (2lb better off) ½l in 11-runner handicap at Doncaster (5f, good to firm). PRIMULA BAIRN 8l 9th of 10 to Princess Oberon in handicap at Newmarket (5f, good to firm). MISS MOVIE WORLD beat Mitsis 4l in 13-runner handicap at Catterick (5f, good) at Catterick (5f, good). BALIANA beat Judgement Call 1l in 13-runner handicap at Leicester (5f, good to firm) penultimate start. Selection: MISS MOVIE WORLD

3.40 HERITAGE HOMES NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £3,886: 5f) (10 runners)

301 (5) 016 FUTURISTIC BRENT 35 (D,F) (D Barker) G Lewis 9-7 .. Pat Eddery 93
302 (8) 105 TANNERRUN 15 (CD,F) (Mrs N Peebles) J Berry 9-0 .. J Carroll 94
303 (1) 0165 GALORA 10 (D,G) (B Schmidt-Bodner) M Tompkins 8-12 .. P Robinson 91
304 (6) 2201 NOOSA 29 (CD,G) (Mrs R Daniels) M Johnston 8-8 .. M Roberts 93
305 (10) 43316 MEDIA EXPRESS 25 (D,G) (M Al-Shuaibi) T Mills 8-6 .. J Fortune 91
306 (9) 030 YAH DANCER 44 (Mrs S Moore) G Moore 8-4 .. Alison Moore (7) 93
307 (3) 112222 ONEINEVERYCOLOUR 7 (D,BF,F) (M Lawrence) P Evans 8-4 .. L Dettori 90
308 (2) 43414 DOMYBLY 16 (D,F) (White Rose Racing) M H Easterby 7-12 .. L Charnock 95
309 (4) 615030 RED HOT RISK 16 (V,D,G) (Smith & Allan Oils) M Dods 7-8 .. Dale Gibson 99
310 (7) 504 NADWATY 28 (Shaikh Amin Dahlawi) J Bethell 7-7 .. J Fanning 94

Long handicap: Nadwaty 7-2.

BETTING: 3-1 Noosa, 7-2 Domybly, 4-1 Tannerrun, 9-2 Oneineverycolour, 5-1 Media Express, 7-1 Galora, 8-1 Futuristic Brent, 10-1 others.

1993: LEFT STRANDED 9-3 K Darley (9-2) G Lewis 11 ran

FORM FOCUS

FUTURISTIC BRENT beat Go Hever Golf 1¾l in maiden at Chester (5f, good to firm) on penultimate start. TANNERRUN beat effort when beating Zam Dancer 3½l in maiden auction at Redcar (5f, firm) with MEDIA EXPRESS (11lb better off) 2½l 3rd and DOMYBLY (21lb better off) 2½l 4th. GALORA about 3½l 5th of 8 to Lennox Lewis in nursery at Goodwood (6f, good to firm). NOOSA beat Hats C To Hilda 5l in 5-runner maiden over course and distance (good). ONEINEVERYCOLOUR ½l 2nd of 5 to Mister Westsound in claimer at Edinburgh (5f, good to firm). DOMYBLY about 1½l 4th of 7 to Sweetheight in nursery at Ayr (5f, good). Selection: GALORA

4.10 PAT PHOENIX HANDICAP (£2,999: 1m 3f) (13 runners)

401 (4) 115-622 PENNY A DAY 20 (BF,G) (J Good) Mrs M Reveley 4-10-0 .. K Darley 95
402 (2) 6534-00 THE PREMIER EXPRES 63 (S) (R Dawson) B Beasley 4-9-1 .. J Fortune 86
403 (13) /0230-0 TAPATCH 20 (F) (Miss V Foster) G Moore 6-9-0 .. Alison Moore (7) 92
404 (7) 333052 ROSEBERRY TOPPING 7 (R Norton) Mrs M Reveley 5-8-13 .. L Dettori 97
405 (6) 324232 DURHAM DRAPES 16 (Durham Drapes Ltd) M H Easterby 3-8-9 .. M Birch 92
406 (11) 404153 LARN FORT 10 (B,F,G,S) (A Development Products) C Fairhurst 4-8-7 J Fanning 93
407 (5) 533201 WALWORTH LADY 15 (D,F) (V Sparks) M Dods 3-8-5 .. N Connorton 87
408 (8) 25-5422 RED INDIAN 13 (F,G) (D Marshall) W Haigh 8-7-13 .. Dale Gibson 90
409 (3) 014133 TREAD THE BOARDS 7 (C,F,G) (G Martin) T Barron 3-7-9 .. N Varley (5) 92
410 (12) 052114 GOLD DESIRE 2 (G,S) (M Brittain) M Brittain 4-7-9 (5ex) .. L Charnock 99
411 (1) 050135 BARDIA 7 (F) (E Incisa) E Incisa 4-7-7 .. Kim Tinkler 95
412 (9) 000-43 GEMIKOSIX 15 (R Macgregor) B Beasley 4-7-7 .. N Kennedy 85
413 (10) 0000-00 RICH ASSET 62 (Miss J King) C Booth 4-7-7 .. P Fessey (7) —

Long handicap: Gemikosix 7-6, Rich Asset 7-0.

BETTING: 4-1 Roseberry Topping, 9-2 Durham Drapes, 5-1 Penny A Day, 11-2 Gold Desire, 7-1 Walworth Lady, 8-1 Gemikosix, Larn Fort, 12-1 others.

1993: ROUSITTO 5-8-9 W R Swinburn (3-1) R Hollinshead 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

PENNY A DAY neck 2nd of 11 to Blue Blazer in handicap at Ayr (1m 2f, good) with BARDIA (5lb better off) 2½l 3rd. DURHAM DRAPES ½l 2nd of 12 to Prussia in handicap here (1m 2f, good to firm) with TREAD THE BOARDS (4lb better off) ½l 3rd. LARN FORT 5¾l 3d of 13 to Brilliant in lady riders' handicap at Beverley (1m 2f, good to firm). WALWORTH LADY beat Chummy's Saga 1¼l in 10-runner maiden handicap at Hamilton (1m 3f, good to firm) with GEMIKOSIX (3lb better off) short-head 3rd. RED INDIAN ½l 2nd of 10 to Too Shiel in claimer at Southwell (AW, 1m 3f). GOLD DESIRE beat ROSEBERRY TOPPING (2lb better off) 1¾l in 13-runner handicap at Newmarket (1m 2f, good) on penultimate start. Selection: TREAD THE BOARDS

4.40 OLD RABY CLAIMING STAKES (£2,576. 1m 2f) (8 runners)

501 (1) 231552 NORTH ARDAR 20 (D,F,G) (Laurel Ltd) Mrs M Reveley 4-9-10 .. G Parkin (7) 81
502 (7) 041305 AWESOME POWER 38 (D,G) (G Freyne) J Hills 8-9-8 .. L Dettori 70
503 (3) 6200-00 HIGH LOW 8 (F,G) (B Haggas) M Prescott 6-9-6 .. C Nutter 90
504 (2) 006211 GOLD SURPRISE 8 (F,G,S) (J Calvert) S Kettlewell 5-9-1 .. J Fortune 85
505 (8) 60-2033 ROUND BY THE RIVER 56 (BF,F,G,S) (W Haigh) W Haigh 5-8-11 .. Dale Gibson 80
506 (6) 440455 LE TEMERAIRE 9 (C,F,G) (E Incisa) E Incisa 8-8-10 .. Kim Tinkler 76
507 (4) 0-00354 HIGHFIELD LAD 15 (C,F) (Mrs P Taylor-Garthwaite) C Fairhurst 3-8-5 J Fanning 80
508 (5) 530603 NON VINTAGE 9 (B,G) (H Leetham) M H Easterby 3-8-5 .. M Birch 99

BETTING: 5-2 High Low, 4-1 Gold Surprise, 9-2 Non Vintage, 5-1 North Ardar, 6-1 others.

1993: KAGRAM QUEEN 5-8-13 K Darley (6-4 fav) Mrs M Reveley 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

NORTH ARDAR 1¾l 2nd of 4 to Princess Maxine in claimer at Ayr (1m 3f, good). AWESOME POWER 8¾l 5th of 14 to Brilliant in amateurs' handicap at Folkestone (1m 1f 110yd, good to firm). HIGH LOW 12l 9th of 12 to Sooty Tern in handicap at Thirsk (1m, firm). GOLD SURPRISE beat Nashville Star ½l in 5-runner seller at Hamilton (1m 3f, firm). ROUND BY THE RIVER 4¼l 3rd of 16 to Blue Radiance in selling handicap at Southwell (AW, 1m). HIGHFIELD LAD 4½l 5th of 11 to Mr Devious in claimer over course and distance (firm) on penultimate start. NON VINTAGE 8l 3rd of 5 to Elle Shaped in claimer at Catterick (7f, good). Selection: NON VINTAGE

5.10 CLEVELAND MAIDEN STAKES (£3,391: 7f) (7 runners)

601 (1) 63 COLLEGE DON 21 (J Coupland) M Bell 3-8-12 .. A Culhane 99
602 (2) KNIGHT OF POLAND (Shaikh Mohammed) J Gosden 3-8-12 .. L Dettori —
603 (3) 0 QUIET MISSION 6 (A Kirkham) J Eyre 3-8-12 .. M McAndrew —
604 (7) WINBURG (S Manana) J Gosden 3-8-12 .. A McGlone —
605 (6) 0 GAMZATTI 41 (J Portmous) C Booth 3-8-7 .. M Birch —
606 (4) 30 SONGS OF INNOCENCE 31 (B) (Shaikh Mohammed) J Watts 3-8-7 N Connorton 98
607 (5) TAZA (G Reed) C Thornton 3-8-7 .. J Fanning —

BETTING: 5-4 Knight Of Poland, 7-2 Winburg, 5-1 College Don, Songs Of Innocence, 10-1 Taza, 33-1 others.

1993: AWESOME VENTURE 3-8-12 J Weaver (9-1) J Toller 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

COLLEGE DON 2¾l 3rd of 9 to Dino in maiden at Thirsk (7f, firm). QUIET MISSION 26l 11th of 13 to Punsaint in maiden at Thirsk (1m, firm). GAMZATTI 34l last of 14 to Line Out in a maiden at Doncaster (1m 2f 60yd, good to firm). SONGS OF INNOCENCE 30l last of 7 to Laila Alawi in maiden at Pontefract (1m 2f, good to firm). KNIGHT OF POLAND by Danzig out of Italian Oaks winner Ivor's Image. WINBURG is an Alleged half-brother to At The Threshold, a Grade 1 1m 2f winner in the United States. Selection: COLLEGE DON

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
M Prescott	10	37	27.0	Pat Eddery	12	44	27.3
G Lewis	3	12	25.0	L Dettori	13	62	21.0
H Thomson Jones	10	43	23.3	J Stack	3	15	20.0
H Cecil	7	31	22.6	K Darley	44	237	18.6
J Hills	9	42	21.4	J Marshall	4	30	13.3
J Gosden	12	63	19.0	M Birch	24	193	12.4

SOUTHWELL

THUNDERER

2.20 Johnnie The Joker. 2.50 Ohnonotagain. 3.20 Nellie's Gamble. 3.50 Kismetim. 4.20 Last Straw. 4.50 Atlantic Way.

GOING: STANDARD SIS
DRAW: 6F-1M, LOW NUMBERS BEST

2.20 CONSTABLE HANDICAP (£3,184: 7f) (16 runners)

1 0204 PINE RIDGE LAD 3 (B,CD,F,S) B Steeley 4-10-0 S D Williams 9
2 1030 MOHICAN BRAVE 8 (B,CD,G) J L Harris 4-9-12 .. Paul Eddery 3
3 0056 THORNTON GATE 8 (CD,F,G,S) M H Easterby 5-9-12 .. G Mellesley 14
4 5026 KINTWYN 18 (D,G) D Laing 4-9-12 .. S Whitworth 16
5 0123 SAILORMAITE 5 (C,S) S Bowring 3-9-8 .. G Webster 11
6 6121 JOHNNIE THE JOKER 20 (B,CD,F,G) J Leigh 3-9-8 .. J Weaver 2
7 01-2 SEGALA 122 (D,BF,S) M Prescott 3-9-8 .. G Duffield 12
8 3400 LALINDI 96 G Wragg 3-9-6 .. M Hills 10
9 2132 CLARIFICATION 21 (D,BF,G,S) J Wharton 4-9-8 .. J Williams 15
10 2-14 AKABUSI 186 (CD,BF,G) Lord Huntingdon 3-8-13 D Harrison 13
11 0234 ON Y VA 32 (CD,G,S) R Williams 7-8-12 Sarah Thompson (7) 6
12 2002 BERNSTEIN BETTE 13 (D,F,G,S) P Felgate 6-8-3 .. G Hind 8
13 5/ GIVE IN 972J (C,G,S) Miss G Kelleway 7-8-0 .. A Mackay 4
14 3063 CLEDESCHAMPS 13 (G) M Ellerby 5-7-13 .. C Teague (7) 1
15 2040 THE ARDINGLY FAIR 13 B McMahon 3-7-7 .. J Quinn 5
16 0-00 COLMAR 27 J Spearing 4-7-7 .. D Wright (5) 7

3-2 Johnnie The Joker, 6-1 On Y Va, 7-1 Clarification, 8-1 Akabusi, 9-1 Pine Ridge Lad, 10-1 Sailormate, Segala, 12-1 Bernstein Bette, Lalindi, 14-1 Mohican Brave, Kintwyn, 16-1 others.

2.50 MONDRIAN SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,174: 7f) (15)

1 0504 BORROWBY 8 (E) M W Easterby 8-11 .. G Hind 8
2 00 CASPER'S RISK 64 (B) G Lewis 8-11 .. Paul Eddery 7
3 14 MAGICAL BELLE 14 (D,G) C Smith 8-11 .. C Hodgson (5) 14
4 MAN OF MAY T Bill 8-11 .. R Price 10
5 RAMBO TWO M Ryan 8-11 .. A Clark 2
6 00 RESOLUTE 18 (B) R Johnson Houghton 8-11 .. A Tucker 5
7 0055 UP THE IRON 8 (B) J Mooney 8-11 .. P McCabe (5) 4
8 003 BELLA FRANCESCA 8 M H Easterby 8-6 .. S Maloney 15
9 0604 DAME AGNES 7 M Channon 8-6 .. R Hughes 12
10 000 DENBYDALE 20 (V) S Norton 8-6 .. J Quinn 13
11 JOYFUL RISK P Kelleway 8-6 .. M Wigham 11
12 MILLTOWN CLASSIC J Parkes 8-6 .. J Tate (3) 6
13 2352 OHNONOTAGAIN 20 B Murray 8-6 .. M Deering (7) 3
14 0000 PRINCESS IN BLUE 13 (B) C Hill 8-6 .. T Williams 9
15 644 SIBERIAN MAID 24 (B) A Forbes 8-6 .. S D Williams 1

3-1 Magical Belle, 4-1 Ohnonotagain, 5-1 Bella Francesca, 7-1 Borrowby, 8-1 Dame Agnes, 10-1 Rambo Two, Joyful Risk, 12-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: D Loder, 9 winners from 24 runners, 37.5%; Lord Huntingdon, 22 from 94, 23.4%; M Jarvis, 7 from 32, 21.9%; S Norton, 33 from 162, 20.4%; M Prescott, 25 from 129, 19.4%; M Ryan, 15 from 80, 18.8%; M Johnston, 26 from 155, 16.8%; G Wragg, 3 from 20, 15.0%.

JOCKEYS: J Weaver, 17 winners from 85 rides, 20.0%; G Duffield, 42 from 261, 16.1%; R Cochrane, 9 from 62, 14.5%; D Harrison, 14 from 98, 14.2%; J Tate, 7 from 52, 13.5%; M Hills, 17 from 127, 13.4%.

3.20 XERA-LOGIC LIMITED GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (£2,588: 1m) (7)

1 0100 INDERAPUTERI 10 (D,F) Miss G Kelleway 4-9-1 .. Stephen Davies (3) 3
2 0005 NELLIE'S GAMBLE 9 (CD,G,S) J Eyre 4-9-1 .. T Williams 7
3 6-00 TOOGOODFORYOU 8 J Leigh 3-8-10 .. C Hodgson (3) 5
4 -421 MISS SPRINGTIME 7 (F) M Prescott 3-8-8 .. G Duffield 4
5 2612 RUBY ESTATE 34 (D,G) M Johnston 3-8-8 .. J Weaver 6
6 0530 LEAP OF FAITH 25 (C,G) Miss G Kelleway 3-8-5 R Cochrane 2
7 3002 SHARPENING 27 (S) Lord Huntingdon 3-8-5 .. D Harrison 1

8-4 Miss Springtime, 11-4 Ruby Estate, 7-2 Sharpening, 7-1 Inderaputeri, 10-1 Leap Of Faith, 12-1 Nellie's Gamble, Toogoodforyou.

3.50 BRITISH COAL CLAIMING STAKES (£2,740: 1m 3f) (10)

1 4806 DORMY THREE 26 (G) D Loder 4-9-8 .. D R McCabe (5) 9
2 2143 DANCING TRALTHEE 13 (C,BF,F,G) J Payne 4-8-7 .. R Cochrane 5
3 -- REMINDER ROSE 8 Palling 4-8-3 .. Stephen Davies (3) 8
4 5001 KISMETIM 13 (B) B Meehan 4-8-12 .. J Weaver 4
5 0002 NEW INN 9 (G) E Weymes 3-8-8 .. D Harrison 6
6 0 SHEECKY 18 B McMahon 3-8-6 .. G Carter 10
7 0156 SPARKY'S SONG 7 (V,F) T Caldwell 4-8-3 .. M Fenton (3) 2
8 4000 DUGORT STRAND 13 J L Harris 3-8-2 .. Paul Eddery 3
9 0000 TILLY OWL 18 P Calver 3-7-11 .. T Williams 1
10 004 POCKET ROCKET 23 J Wharton 3-7-7 .. A Mackay 7

7-4 Dancing Tralthee, 5-1 Dormy Three, 7-2 New Inn, 9-2 Kismetim, 14-1 Pocket Rocket, 16-1 Sparky's Song, 20-1 others.

4.20 PICASSO HANDICAP (£3,080: 6f) (11)

1 4252 ELTON LEDGER 20 (V,CD,F,G) Mrs N Macauley 5-10-0 .. J Tate (3) 2
2 R0-0 ROYAL DEED 11 (G) P McEntee 4-10-0 .. C Avery 1
3 6603 LEGATEE 21 (F) B Meehan 3-9-7 .. R Cochrane 10
4 4004 GYMCRAK TYCOON 17 (D,F,G,S) G Holmes 5-9-2 .. Ruth Coulter (7) 3
5 3061 DISCO BOY 13 (B,G) B McMahon 4-9-2 .. T Wall 5
6 6401 SAKHAROV 44 (CD,F,G) M Jarvis 5-8-13 .. G Carter 4
7 0300 RUB AL KHALI 27 D Laing 3-8-7 .. S Whitworth 6
8 6230 HEATHYARDS GEM 8 (CD,G) R Hollinshead 4-8-5 .. J Weaver 9
9 3650 LAST STRAW 13 (B,CD,G) B Preece 6-7-12 .. J Quinn 11
10 0005 OLYMPIA 28 J Spearing 4-7-8 .. A Mackay 7
11 -000 UP THE MARINERS 14 (CD,G) J Mooney 3-7-8 D Wright (5) 8

11-4 Disco Boy, 7-2 Elton Ledger, 4-1 Legatee, 7-1 Heathyards Gem, 8-1 Gymcrak Tycoon, 12-1 Olympia, Rub Al Khali, 14-1 Last Straw, 16-1 others.

4.50 TURNER HANDICAP (£3,047: 1m 6f) (11)

1 0511 SWORDKING 25 (D,G,S) J L Harris 5-10-0 .. Paul Eddery 8
2 5584 PRESTON GUILD 13 (C,G,S) R Williams 4-9-12 R Cochrane 2
3 2335 NAAWY 17 C Smith 4-9-5 .. K Rutter (3) 11
4 -015 RAVENSPUR 16 (C,G) J Parkes 4-9-1 .. M Deering (7) 1
5 4090 DALBY SKY 13 B McMahon 3-8-10 .. J Williams 4
6 4640 DIAMOND INTHE DARK 21 (V,C,F,G) J Norton 6-8-9 G Carter 7
7 0222 ATLANTIC WAY 8 (CD,BF,F,G) C Hill 6-8-9 .. J Quinn 10
8 -332 CHILD STAR 21 (E,D,BF,G,S) D Marks 5-8-8 .. D Wright (5) 9
9 0033 SIDE BAR 20 (B,D,F) M Ryan 4-8-4 .. A Clark 3
10 6366 DOUBLE DANCER 15 Denys Smith 3-8-3 .. C Teague (7) 5
11 4365 HEATHYARDS CRUSADE 48 (C,G) R Hollinshead 3-8-0 .. A Garth (5) 6

3-1 Swordking, 7-2 Preston Guild, 9-2 Atlantic Way, 7-1 Child Star, 8-1 Heathyards Crusade, 10-1 Side Bar, 12-1 Ravenspur, 14-1 Diamond Inthe Dark, Naawy, 16-1 others.

NEWMARKET

THUNDERER

6.00 One Voice. 6.30 Interlink. 7.00 Slivovitz. 7.30 Shonara's Way. 8.00 **PIERRE BOSCO** (nap). 8.30 Neverending.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 6.00 Jack Button. 8.00 Pierre Bosco. 8.30 **NEVERENDING** (nap).

GOING: GOOD DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE SIS

6.00 HEADLAND INTERNATIONAL PROPERTIES HANDICAP (£5,483: 2m 24yd) (10 runners)

1 (4) 5042 JACK BUTTON 9 (D,F,G,S) Bob Jones 5-10-0 M Wigham 99
2 (10) 1111 ONE VOICE 2 (F,G) M Prescott 4-9-9 (4ex) .. G Duffield 97
3 (7) -010 HIGH SUMMER 52 (D,F,G) T Thomson Jones 4-9-8 .. Paul Eddery 89
4 (5) 3343 ZUBOON 37 (S) J Dunlop 3-9-7 .. W Carson 91
5 (1) 0000 BOLD RESOLUTION 14 (D,F,G,S) C Cyzer 6-9-6 M Hall (7) 97
6 (6) 3535 CHIEF MINISTER 14 (C,F,S) T Dyer 5-9-3 .. Stephen Davies (3) 92
7 (9) 1224 BOTTLES 14 (V,BF,F,G) J Banks 7-9-3 .. R Cochrane 90
8 (2) 0221 ISLAND BLADE 34 (D,F,G,S) R Akehurst 5-8-12 T Quinn 93
9 (8) 0312 HONEY MOUNT 22 (BF,G) A Stewart 3-8-8 .. Pat Eddery 90
10 (3) 0522 HEAD TURNER 14 (G,S) C Wildman 6-7-10 .. N Adams 92

7-2 Island Blade, 5-1 Bottles, 6-1 One Voice, 7-1 Honey Mount, Jack Button, 10-1 Zuboon, 12-1 Head Turner, 14-1 others.

6.30 WILSON BROWNE SOLICITORS SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,785: 7f) (9)

1 (4) 000 DYNAST 30 (B) P Cole 8-11 .. T Quinn 91
2 (3) 005 INTERLINK 30 R Hannon 8-11 .. Pat Eddery 92
3 (7) 06 KINGS VISION 9 (BF) R Johnson Houghton 8-11 A Tucker 86
4 (5) 00 PLEASURE BEACH 13 W O'Gorman 8-11 .. Emma O'Gorman (3) —
5 (9) 0605 TOMMYKNOCKER 37 J Jenkins 8-11 .. C Rutter 85
6 (6) 0 FLYING GIRL 15 M Bell 8-6 .. M Fenton (3) 80
7 (8) 4030 PEWTER LASS 25 M Blanshard 8-6 .. R Cochrane 99
8 (2) 0 SAMANA CAY 16 (B) A Scott 8-6 .. R Hills —
9 (1) 0 SPARKLING SYBBLE 9 C Allen 8-6 .. G Hind 69

5-2 Interlink, 7-2 Pewter Lass, 9-2 Kings Vision, 6-1 Tommyknocker, 8-1 Flying Girl, 10-1 Sparkling Sybble, 12-1 Dynast, 14-1 others.

7.00 BERNARD LLOYD/PAUL STANBROOK HANDICAP (£5,970: 6f) (16)

1 (14) 5161 DOMINUET 13 (D,F,G,S) J Spearing 8-10-0 .. G Hind 92
2 (6) 4060 CASTLEREA LAD 4 (CD,F,G) R Hollinshead 5-9-13 .. W Ryan 90
3 (15) -650 BLUE BOMBER 34 (D,F,G) R Hannon 3-9-11 Pat Eddery 92
4 (12) 0320 PETERSFORD GIRL 27 (B,D,G) Miss J Doyle 4-9-11 .. R Perham 88
5 (2) -306 RECAPTURED DAYS 7 (D,G) A Scott 3-9-10 .. W R Swinburn 89
6 (16) 0101 NED'S BONANZA 7 (C,D,F,G) M Dods 5-9-4 (6ex) .. S Whitworth 93
7 (3) 6402 RUNNING GLIMPSE 7 (CD,F,G) Miss B Sanders 6-9-3 .. W Carson 97
8 (10) 1213 JOIN THE CLAN 15 (CD,BF,F) Mrs N Macauley 5-9-2 .. L Dettori 92
9 (5) -351 DESERT TIME 15 (D,F) C Horgan 4-8-13 .. M Hills 91
10 (1) 005 TOP BANANA 27 H Candy 3-8-8 .. W Newnes 89
11 (13) 1340 BE WARNED 20 (B,F) N Callaghan 3-8-7 .. Paul Eddery 91
12 (4) 0251 FORMIDABLE LIZ 14 (D,F) M Hammond 4-8-5 .. J Marshall (5) 94
13 (7) 0012 SLIVOVITZ 11 (B,D,BF,F) M Heaton-Ellis 4-8-0 .. Stephen Davies (3) 99
14 (8) 5024 DASHING DANCER 22 R Akehurst 3-7-13 .. J Quinn 88
15 (11) 0511 LADY SILK 8 (D,G,S) J Hetherton 3-7-13 (6ex) N Kennedy 88
16 (9) 2243 MISS ARAGON 7 (D,F,G) Miss L Siddall 6-7-9 N Varley (5) 95

4-1 Slivovitz, 6-1 Running Glimpse, 7-1 Ned's Bonanza, 8-1 Formidable Liz, Recaptured Days, 10-1 Castlerea Lad, 12-1 Dominuet, Miss Aragon, 14-1 others.

7.30 EMPLAS TRADE WINDOWS CONDITIONS STAKES (£5,845: 1m 6f 175yd) (2) SKY

1 (1) 3421 KARSHI 23 (F) J Fanshawe 4-9-8 .. W R Swinburn 81
2 (2) -413 SHONARA'S WAY 29 (S) R Charlton 3-8-3 .. L Dettori 99

1-2 Shonara's Way, 6-4 Karshi.

8.00 TUDOR GATE HOTEL AND RESTAURANT NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £4,893: 7f) (14) SKY

1 (4) 013 PHAR LITE 39 (G) R Hannon 9-7 .. Mark Denaro (7) 86
2 (11) 402 BEAUCHAMP JAZZ 30 (BF) J Dunlop 9-1 .. Pat Eddery 90
3 (5) 010 CYRUS THE GREAT 9 (D,F) M Bell 8-12 .. M Fenton (3) 84
4 (14) 062 RISING DOUGH 15 G L Moore 8-10 .. A Clark 82
5 (6) 0464 JALWA 21 Miss G Kelleway 8-8 .. G Duffield 88
6 (9) 5216 JOBBER'S FIDDLE 22 (D,F) D Sasse Davis 8-8 L Dettori 84
7 (2) 3552 ALMUHTARAM 20 (BF) W Haigh 8-5 .. R Cochrane 90
8 (8) 01 MUHAB 22 (S) P Walwyn 8-2 .. W Carson 93
9 (1) 022 KOMACA 30 P Haslam 7-12 .. T Williams 95
10 (7) 0054 TREMBLING 23 P Cole 7-11 .. C Rutter 98
11 (3) 204 PIERRE BOSCO 20 S Woods 7-9 .. D Wright (5) 96
12 (13) 3305 STAR FIGHTER 16 W O'Gorman 7-7 .. N Adams 91
13 (12) 5142 DUNGEON DANCER 18 (V,D,F) M Channon 7-7 .. G Bardwell 99
14 (10) 161 BOBANLYN 15 (D,F,G) D Morris 7-7 .. J Quinn 98

4-1 Muhab, 5-1 Pierre Bosco, 6-1 Beauchamp Jazz, 7-1 Cyrus The Great, 8-1 Dungeon Dancer, 10-1 Komaca, 12-1 Phar Lite, 14-1 others.

8.30 CARWIN MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,835: 7f) (11) SKY

1 (7) 00 AL SAFEER 34 N Callaghan 9-0 .. R Hills 87
2 (3) CLOUD Mrs J Cecil 9-0 .. Paul Eddery —
3 (2) GREEN'S WOOTTON M Bell 9-0 .. M Fenton (3) —
4 (10) IN CAMERA M Stoute 9-0 .. L Dettori —
5 (9) KREEF C Brittain 9-0 .. G Crealock —
6 (4) 0 NANTON POINT 16 R Hannon 9-0 .. Pat Eddery 71
7 (6) 00 SILVER SLEEVE 14 J Toller 9-0 .. W Newnes 82
8 (8) SNOWY PETREL J Dunlop 9-0 .. P Robinson —
9 (5) 32 WAKEEL 7 (BF) A Scott 9-0 .. W R Swinburn 96
10 (1) LABIBEH J Dunlop 8-9 .. W Carson —
11 (11) 3 NEVERENDING 21 H Cecil 8-9 .. W Ryan 99

2-1 Neverending, 7-2 Wakeel, 5-1 In Camera, Labibeh, 8-1 Snowy Petrel, 10-1 Cloud, 14-1 Kreef, 16-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: R Charlton, 16 winners from 74 runners, 21.6%; H Cecil, 59 from 298, 19.8%; P Cole, 23 from 145, 15.9%; M Stoute, 45 from 295, 15.3%; M Prescott, 5 from 35, 14.3%.

JOCKEYS: Pat Eddery, 100 winners from 501 rides, 20.0%; N Varley, 4 from 22, 18.2%; W R Swinburn, 68 from 411, 16.5%; W Carson, 71 from 514, 13.8%; L Dettori, 69 from 500, 13.8%.

HAYDOCK PARK

THUNDERER

6.15 Midyan Blue. 6.45 Neatstep. 7.15 Helmsman. 7.45 Drummer Hicks. 8.15 First Option. 8.45 Lord Oberon.

GOING: GOOD SIS
DRAW: 6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

6.15 BLACKPOOL GAZETTE FESTIVAL HANDICAP (£3,630: 1m 3f 200yd) (7 runners)

1 3-30 JOHNS ACT 51 (S) D Haydn Jones 4-9-10 .. D Holland 6
2 2253 SUNDERLAND ECHO 20 (D,F,G,S) Mrs M Reveley 5-9-6 .. K Darley 4
3 5050 MIDYAN BLUE 41 (C,G) J Eustace 4-9-2 .. B Raymond 2
4 -100 HOME COUNTIES 27 (V,F,G) D Moffatt 5-9-1 .. J Weaver 5
5 1111 CHIMANIMANI 21 (D,F,G) J Dunlop 3-8-13 .. B Thomson 3
6 2-55 TRIPLE TIE 97 P Chapple-Hyam 3-8-11 .. J Reid 1
7 4-00 VILLAGE EAGLE 14 C Brittain 3-8-8 .. M Roberts 7

Evens Chimanimani, 5-1 Sunderland Echo, Triple Tie, 8-1 Home Counties, 10-1 Midyan Blue, 12-1 Johns Act, 14-1 Village Eagle.

6.45 BAY 96.9 FM CLAIMING STAKES (£2,622: 1m 2f 120yd) (8)

1 20-5 TTYFRAN 209 (F) B Baugh 4-9-1 .. S Perks 8
2 6604 PORT SUNLIGHT 66 (C,D,F,S) R Hannon 6-8-13 .. J Reid 2
3 0233 GOLDEN CHIP 8 (D,BF,F,G) J Eyre 6-8-10 .. B Raymond 1
4 0212 KATY'S LAD 28 (B,D,F,G,S) B McMahon 7-8-9 .. J Fortune 4
5 4240 GALEJADE 37 (F) D Haydn Jones 4-8-8 .. D Holland 6
6 1463 NEATSTEP 11 (S) W Haggas 3-8-8 .. K Darley 5
7 -355 SKY BURST 21 (S) L Cottrell 4-8-5 .. N Carlisle 3
8 6504 MISTER BEAT 14 (G) Jimmy Fitzgerald 3-8-3 .. M Roberts 7

5-4 Neatstep, 4-1 Port Sunlight, 11-2 Katy's Lad, 6-1 Golden Chip, 7-1 Mister Beat, 12-1 Galejade, Ttyfran, 16-1 Sky Burst.

7.15 UCI CINEMAS WARRINGTON CONDITIONS STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,440: 6f) (7) SKY

1 122 HELMSMAN 40 (D,BF,F) P Chapple-Hyam 9-3 .. J Reid 7
2 213 IMPULSIVE AIR 78 (C,G) E Weymes 9-3 .. D Harrison 1
3 2255 LAGO DI VARANO 20 (G) J Berry 9-0 .. J Carroll 5
4 3 BIDE OUR TIME 20 J Toller 8-11 .. K Darley 6
5 DODDINGTON FLYER R Hollinshead 8-11 .. S Perks 3
6 1253 HERE COMES RISKY 18 (S) M Johnston 8-11 .. J Weaver 2
7 1 ROSEY NOSEY 10 (F) J Watts 8-6 .. B Thomson 4

4-5 Helmsman, 5-1 Impulsive Air, Here Comes Risky, 6-1 Lago Di Varano, Rosey Nosey, 7-1 Bide Our Time, 25-1 Doddington Flyer.

7.45 HAYDOCK PARK PONY CLUB HANDICAP (£3,610: 1m 2f 120yd) (9) SKY

1 0-16 SHARAAR 89 (D,G,S) W Haggas 4-10-0 .. K Darley 7
2 2151 DESERT FIGHTER 11 (D,F) M Stoute 3-9-9 (6ex) .. D Holland 5
3 3241 SOVEREIGN PAGE 9 (D,F,G) B Hanbury 5-9-8 .. B Raymond 8
4 0004 DRUMMER HICKS 13 (D,F,G,S) E Weymes 5-9-6 .. D Harrison 3
5 0-00 MAJBOOR 16 (S) B McMahon 5-9-5 .. T Wall 2
6 0340 BEAUMAN 42 (C,S) B McMahon 4-9-5 .. J Reid 1
7 2103 DIPLOMATIST 8 (CD,F,S) W Jarvis 4-9-1 .. M Baird (7) 9
8 1365 I'M A DREAMER 70 (D,F,G) W Haigh 4-8-13 .. Dale Gibson 6
9 0-00 ROMAN CAMP 14 C Brittain 3-7-12 .. M Roberts 4

11-4 Sovereign Page, 7-2 Desert Fighter, 4-1 Drummer Hicks, 5-1 Diplomatist, 6-1 Sharaar, 10-1 Majboor, 12-1 others.

8.15 COUNTRYWIDE FREIGHT CLAIMING STAKES (£2,671: 6f) (10) SKY

1 3 RED FIVE 48 D Moffatt 3-9-8 .. J Fortune 3
2 2032 FIRST OPTION 10 (D,F,G,S) R Bastiman 4-9-3 .. H Bastiman (5) 9
3 0383 AUGHFAD 9 (V,D,F,G,S) Mrs M McCourt 8-8-13 .. B Thomson 10
4 2665 LOVE LEGEND 9 (D,F,G,S) D Arbuthnot 9-8-11 .. J Reid 2
5 -600 BROOKHEAD LADY 114 (D,F,S) P Evans 3-8-3 .. S Maloney 6
6 6233 DELROB 34 D Haydn Jones 3-7-13 .. A Mackay 7
7 50-0 COLONEL SINCLAIR 207 R Hollinshead 3-7-12 .. D Denby (7) 8
8 6000 KINGFISHER GREY 25 (B) T Cuthbert 3-7-12 .. J Fanning 5
9 04 LITTLE NUTMEG 55 D McCain 3-7-11 .. Dale Gibson 1
10 600 FINNWOOD LADY 132 A Bailey 3-7-7 .. D Wright (5) 4

9-4 Aughfad, 7-2 First Option, 4-1 Love Legend, 5-1 Red Five, 12-1 Brookhead Lady, 14-1 Delrob, 16-1 others.

8.45 LANCASHIRE EVENING POST HANDICAP (£3,046: 1m 30yd) (13) SKY

1 3511 PRINCESS MAXINE 14 (D,F,G,S) J J O'Neill 5-10-0 .. G Parkin (7) 5
2 3310 VELOCE 8 (CD,F,G) A Bailey 6-10-0 .. A Mackay 13
3 66-4 MOULTAZIM 51 A Scott 4-9-10 .. B Raymond 12
4 U000 MASTER BEVELED 14 (D,F,G,S) P Evans 4-9-9 V Halliday (7) 6
5 5325 MISS WHITTINGHAM 13 (BF,F,G,S) D Moffatt 4-9-8 .. J Carroll 7
6 6-40 BRAVEBOY 20 (S) C Brittain 6-9-7 .. M Roberts 11
7 0144 VANBOROUGH LAD 8 (D,G,S) M Bolton 5-9-2 .. J Reid 3
8 0015 LORD OBERON 2 (V,CD,F,G) J Akehurst 6-8-13 (6ex) .. G Carter 10
9 0650 SUPER SEVE 15 (B,G) Mrs M Reveley 4-8-12 .. K Darley 1
10 2064 NOBBY BARNES 8 (D,F,G) E Incisa 5-8-12 .. Kim Tinkler 9
11 3540 HABETA 13 (B,D,BF,F,G) J Watts 8-8-11 .. B Thomson 8
12 1315 WENTBRIDGE LAD 15 (B,BF,G,S) B McMahon 4-8-11 .. J Fortune 4
13 4452 MAROWINS 13 (D,G) E Alston 5-8-6 .. N Carlisle 2

4-1 Princess Maxine, 11-2 Lord Oberon, 6-1 Veloce, 7-1 Wentbridge Lad, 8-1 Marowins, Moultazim, 10-1 Miss Whittingham, Super Seve, 12-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: P Chapple-Hyam, 5 winners from 16 runners, 31.3%; W Jarvis, 7 from 33, 21.2%; J Dunlop, 16 from 81, 19.8%; R Hannon, 13 from 89, 14.6%; M Stoute, 9 from 70, 12.9%; A Scott, 5 from 42, 11.9%.

JOCKEYS: J Reid, 14 winners from 68 rides, 20.6%; M Roberts, 21 from 104, 20.2%; D Harrison, 3 from 20, 15.0%; B Raymond, 15 from 117, 12.8%; D Holland, 7 from 64, 10.9%; K Darley, 11 from 106, 10.4%.

Blinkered first time

HAYDOCK PARK: 8.15 Kingfisher Grey. 8.45 Super Seve. NEWMARKET: 6.30 Samana Cay. PLUMPTON: 2.30 Temps Perdu. 3.00 Carole's King. REDCAR: 2.40 Absolute Millions, Benten, Hidden Gold. 3.40 Red Hot Risk. 5.10 Songs Of Innocence. SOUTHWELL: 2.50 Casper's Risk, Resolute, Denbydale. 3.50 Sparky's Song. 4.20 Elton Ledger.

New cameras

THE Jockey Club yesterday unveiled new security cameras aimed at beating Britain's racecourse dopers.

Nottingham is the first to benefit from the closed-circuit television system, which will be in place at all 59 racecourse stables by the beginning of next year. The initiative to improve security will cost £300,000, paid for by a Levy Board grant.

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RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S THREE MEETINGS

Bath

Going: good to firm

2.25 (5f 11yd) 1, Sumoquinn (R Hughes, 4-1); 2, Siddons In May (7-2); 3, Billy (33-1). David James' Girl 3-1 fav. 14 ran. 1¾l, nk. M Channon. No Tote returns owing to power failure. CSF: £18.35.

2.55 (2m 1f 34yd) 1, Sheltered Cove (D Griffiths, 5-2); 2, Esoteric (14-1); 3, Thunderheart (4-6 fav). 4 ran. 2½l, nk. K Cunningham-Brown. No Tote returns owing to power failure. CSF: £19.60.

3.25 (5f 11yd) 1, Very Dicey (S D Williams, 3-2); 2, Kildee Lad (3-1 fav); 3, Farleu (5-1). 9 ran. 1l, nk. J Berry. No Tote returns owing to power failure. CSF: £17.60. Tricast: £64.92.

3.55 (5f 161yd) 1, Lord Sky (M Hills, 4-1); 2, Island Knight (5-4 fav); 3, Belandra Bay (4-1). 9 ran. 1¼l, 1½l. P Cole. Tote: £4.40; £1.90, £1.10, £1.10. DF: £4.40. CSF: £8.65.

4.25 (1m 5yd) 1, Tanseeq (R Hills, 11-2); 2, Farnham (5-2); 3, Apache Plume (4-1). Lady Williams 15-8 fav. 5 ran. 2l, 4l. H Thomson Jones. Tote: £7.30; £2.40, £1.70. DF: £8.80. CSF: £18.01.

4.55 (1m 2f 46yd) 1, New Albion (Paul Eddery, 3-1 jt-fav); 2, Hunters' Heaven (7-1); 3, Microlite (3-1 jt-fav). 10 ran. 1¾l, ½l. R Charlton. Tote: £3.70; £1.60, £2.80, £1.40. DF: £25.20. Trio: £29.20. CSF: £23.73. Tricast: £61.41.

Placepot: £78.80.

Brighton

Going: firm

2.35 (5f 213yd) 1, Busy Banana (W Ryan, 11-10 fav, Private Handicapper's top rating); 2, Youdontsay (7-1); 3, Secret Ballad (33-1). 7 ran. 2½l, 1½l. R Hannon. Tote: £1.90; £1.40, £3.00. DF: £5.50. CSF: £8.63.

3.05 (5f 59yd) 1, The Scythian (G Duffield, 12-1); 2, Dac Island (6-4 fav); 3, Prince Rudolf (12-8). 7 ran. 1¾l, 4l. Bob Jones. Tote: £10.00; £3.80, £1.40. DF: £15.30. CSF: £28.36.

3.35 (5f 59yd) 1, Shikari's Son (T Quinn, 2-1 jt-fav); 2, Speedy Classic (2-1 jt-fav); 3, Ashima (9-4). 4 ran. Nk, sh hd. J White. Tote: £2.50. DF: £2.20. CSF: £5.90.

4.05 (1m 1f 209yd) 1, Prince Danzig (T Quinn, 13-2); 2, Misty Goddess (7-1); 3, La Belle Shyanne (8-1). Don't Drop Bombs 9-2 fav. 9 ran. NR: Mister O'Grady. ¾l, 11l. D Murray Smith. Tote: £6.80; £2.40, £1.30, £4.20. DF: £24.30. Trio: £143.90. CSF: £47.06. Tricast: £336.04.

4.35 (1m 3f 196yd) 1, Recluse (M Roberts, 13-8 fav); 2, Sastrero (2-1); 3, Passing Player (9-2). 6 ran. 3l, sh hd. B Hills. Tote: £2.30; £1.80, £1.20. DF: £3.70. CSF: £5.11.

5.05 (5f 213yd) 1, Hawaiian Dream (A Whelan, 7-2 fav); 2, Anselady (6-1); 3, Khattat (6-1). 9 ran. 3l, 1¾l. G Lewis. Tote: £5.40; £2.30, £1.80, £1.30. DF: £14.70. Trio: £21.60. CSF: £19.85. Tricast: £91.19.

Placepot: £297.60. Quadpot: £34.80.

Pontefract

Going: good to firm

2.45 (1m 2f 6yd) 1, Cast The Line (Mr V Lukaniuk, 11-4); 2, Life's Too Short (5-1); 3, Pepitist (6-1). Credit Squeeze 2-1 fav. 8 ran. Nk, sh hd. A Stewart. Tote: £4.80; £2.00, £1.80. DF: £11.90. CSF: £15.08.

3.15 (5f) 1, Fairybird (R Perham, 13-2); 2, Mystic Lure (10-1); 3, Kemo Sabo (15-8 fav). 10 ran. Sh hd, nk. R Hannon. Tote: £10.50; £2.30, £2.60, £1.50. DF: £21.40. CSF: £62.92.

3.45 (5f) 1, Frisky Miss (J Carroll, 2-1 fav); 2, Tinker Osmaston (5-2); 3, Indiahra (11-2). 10 ran. ¾l, 1¼l. J Berry. Tote: £3.20; £1.20, £1.30, £1.50. DF: £4.00. CSF: £7.00.

4.15 (6f) 1, Time Of Trouble (L Dettori, 7-1); 2, Delight Of Dawn (16-1); 3, Jungle Patrol (2-1 fav). 14 ran. 2¼l, 2l. J Watts. Tote: £5.00; £2.10, £3.50, £1.60. DF: £46.80. Trio: £43.80. CSF: £104.87. Tricast: £282.52.

4.45 (1m 4f 8yd) 1, Golden Hello (M Birch, 7-4 jt-fav); 2, Secret Serenade (7-4 jt-fav); 3, Beats Working (100-30). 6 ran. NR: Keep Your Distance. 3½l, 1½l. M H Easterby. Tote: £2.50; £1.50, £1.50. DF: £2.70. CSF: £4.99.

5.15 (1m 4yd) 1, Dalu (W Carson, 13-8 fav, Our Newmarket Correspondent's nap); 2, Fresh Runner (3-1); 3, Osato (11-4). 10 ran. NR: Yo Kin-B. Sh hd, ¾l. A Stewart. Tote: £2.30; £1.40, £1.50, £1.40. DF: £4.50. CSF: £6.87.

5.45 (1m 4yd) 1, Happy Hostage (J Weaver, 8-1); 2, Calder King (10-1); 3, McGillycuddy Reeks (20-1); 4, Admirals Flame (10-1). Sawtid 9-2 fav. 16 ran. ¾l, 1¾l. M Johnston. Tote: £8.10; £2.10, £3.00, £2.60, £4.50. DF: £37.20. Trio: £614.30. CSF: £84.44. Tricast: £1,424.93.

Jackpot: £15,623.00 (0.69 winning tickets). Pool Of £6,821.34 carried forward to Redcar today).

Placepot: £28.90. Quadpot: £2.40.

Nottingham

Going: good (good to firm in straight)

6.15 (6f 15yd) 1, Irchester Lass (M Fenton, 3-1); 2, Master Millfield (3-1); 3, Sweet Cheap Pet (6-4 fav). 9 ran. ¾l, 3l. Mrs N Macauley. Tote: £4.10; £1.60, £2.00, £1.10. DF: £9.90. CSF: £12.80.

6.45 (6f 13yd) 1, Double Glow (G Hind, 9-2); 2, Annie Fay (2-1 fav); 3, Box Of Diamonds (16-1). 11 ran. 4l, hd. C Hill. Tote: £5.20; £1.90, £1.10, £3.10. DF: £4.90. CSF: £13.23.

7.15 (5f 13yd) 1, The Fed (A Culhane, 9-1); 2, Warwick Warrior (8-11 fav); 3, Hickory Blue (25-1). 10 ran. 1¾l, nk. R Whitaker. Tote: £7.80; £1.40, £1.40, £4.50. DF: £6.10. Trio: £74.60. CSF: £17.24. Tricast: £180.87.

7.45 (2m 9yd) 1, Norma's Lady (F Norton, 4-1); 2, Fruitful Affair (9-2); 3, Easy D'Or (10-1). Pomone 3-1 fav. 10 ran. 1¾l, sh hd. G Wragg. Tote: £4.60; £1.30, £1.50, £5.10. DF: £4.60. Trio: £44.50. CSF: £21.82. Tricast: £153.38.

8.15 (1m 1f 213yd) 1, Mnaafa (R Hills, 13-2); 2, Prussia (6-4 fav); 3, East Barns (20-1). 14 ran. 2¾l, 1¾l. P Walwyn. Tote: £7.80; £2.90, £1.10, £5.40. DF: £13.70. Trio: £86.70. CSF: £16.95. Tricast: £186.24.

8.45 (1m 54yd) 1, Queens Consul (M Fenton, 7-1); 2, Douce Maison (7-2); 3, Lady Donoghue (6-1). Willow 2-1 fav. 13 ran. 3½l, 2l. B Rothwell. Tote: £9.70; £2.90, £1.30, £2.70. DF: £28.20. Trio: £26.20. CSF: £34.14. Tricast: £154.05.

Placepot: £11.20. Quadpot: £10.00.

Wednesday's late results

Kempton Park

Going: good to firm

6.00 (1m 4f) 1, Rock Legend (N Varley, 10-1); 2, Woodmans Star (10-1); 3, Full Quiver (5-1 jt-fav). Blanchland 5-1 jt-fav. 15 ran. NR: Pistols At Dawn. 8l, sh hd. J Sheehan. Tote: £9.10; £2.10, £2.20, £1.80. DF: £15.50. Trio: £40.90. CSF: £96.50. Tricast: £509.03.

6.30 (7f) 1, Landlord (W Newnes, 12-1); 2, Albinor (8-1); 3, Thaljanah (6-4 fav). 14 ran. NR: Alpine Storm, Crested Knight. Nk, nk. J Toller. Tote: £14.00; £2.80, £1.70, £1.20. DF: £39.40. CSF: £97.01.

7.00 (6f) 1, Leonoe Lewis (L Dettori, 2-1 fav); 2, Rockcracker (14-1); 3, Golden Danehill (12-1). 12 ran. NR: Mossalier. 1¾l, ¾l. A Jarvis. Tote: £2.80; £1.20, £2.80, £3.60. DF: £15.80. Trio: £70.70. CSF: £28.73. Tricast: £251.64.

7.30 (7f) 1, Ethbaat (W Carson, 9-2 fav); 2, Waikiki Beach (10-1); 3, Astrac (9-1). 13 ran. ¾l, 1¾l. H Thomson Jones. Tote: £3.30; £1.70, £2.90, £2.90. DF: £27.50. Trio: £98.10. CSF: £46.86. Tricast: £363.62.

8.00 (1m 2f) 1, Indian Express (M Roberts, 2-1 jt-fav); 2, General Shirley (2-1 jt-fav); 3, Fortunes Darling (5-1). 6 ran. ¾l, 1¾l. D Elsworth. Tote: £3.30; £1.70, £1.50. DF: £3.20. CSF: £6.23.

8.30 (5f) 1, Prince Azzaan (B Thomson, 8-1); 2, Moujeeb (7-2); 3, John O'Dreams (5-2 fav). 7 ran. NR: Judgement Call, Pineapple Prince. 1¾l, 2l. N Callaghan. Tote: £11.30; £4.30, £2.20. DF: £26.80. Trio: £42.20. CSF: £34.19. Tricast: £82.41.

Placepot: £661.30. Quadpot: £42.10.

Act of faith in future of tarnished game

In my day, cricketers had surnames and initials: they batted, bowled and fielded and their private lives were either immaculate or went uninvestigated. Anytime now, one will see a scorecard reading "substance abuser caught ball tamperer bowled fiancée basher".

We who were around in the wholesome days of Hobbs and Yardley scratch our heads and wonder whether it is cricketers or investigative journalism that has changed.

Did Grace sniff glue, Jardine ill-treat cats, Hammond tipple. Were we interested?

Some of us also wonder whether in an accusation of ball-tampering it might not



FREUD ON FRIDAY

have been sensible to have exhibited the ball — rather as ears are put on view to back up accusations of ear-biting.

While the men in suits are pondering these matters, up north in Chester le Street — a Durham town that bears its Franglais Norman name with pride even if the "le" is hardly pronounced — you refer to the place as Chesterlstreet — they have manifested faith in the continued appeal of cricket by building a new venue.

It is bigger than the Oval, flatter than Lord's, greener than Trent Bridge and, unlike existing county grounds, this one is to be the jewel in the crown of a wondrous new 150-acre leisure development in the shadow of Lumley Castle.

A stand is being built, actually *being* built, while the first match was taking place; four other stands will follow. The local authority, whose brainchild this is, distribute impressive artist's impressions of the completed project. Who knows, if other countries renew their fixtures with our national side, Durham could become a Test match ground before the end of the millenium.



A second XI match against Middlesex gets play under way for the first time at Durham's new ground at Chester le Street

Were I the regional overlord I would have christened the Riverside ground with a match of compelling quality: orchestrated an opening ceremony involving stars of stage, screen and dog track — also politicians.

Up north they don't work like that: first game — Durham second XI v Middlesex second XI. Entrance free. Bring your own chairs.

I went, as did about 2,500 other people which amazed the organisers who have canny ideas of the appeal of second XI cricket between sides based 300 miles apart.

At 10.45am the groundsman watches with apprehension as umpires insert stumps into the virgin soil. All is well. The pitch looks in excellent order, the outfield is impeccable, only the skies look iffy.

As Durham come out to field we hardly applaud at all to make it clear that it is the occasion and not the contest that we have come to observe.

Mr K Thompson, of Jamaica, opens the bowling for the home team: right-arm fast medium, what we used to call medium fast. Five minutes later we have witnessed the first run, the first no-ball, the first bouncer, the first lunatic single and the first botched run-out. The first boundary took a little longer but the last ball of the fourth over yielded a wicket as did the first ball of the fifth. A message goes out to players: "Go easy, this is a three-day match."

After that it is just cricket: 14 overs in the first hour. Thirty-four runs of which 11 were extras and in front of me a couple called Cyril and Queenie sip coffee from a Thermos flask. I notice that, as at the WACA in Perth, the air is richly populated by flies and Durham's would be of very much more interest to entomologists being of different shapes and sizes and species.

I make for the beer tent which is smallish. There is lager and Scotch ale on draft and in the background the flashing yellow lights of the builders' vans blink their message to the comforting thump of a pile driver.

There is a lunch tent: neatly erected beside the scoreboard — which is also the dressing-room; lunch is for players and VIPs. Those who believed that the Register of VIPs in Durham is as thin a volume as Who's Who in Puerto Rico are wrong. The tent is full.

Near the entrance is a van that advertises the sale of curry, pies, sandwiches, chips, burgers and bacon butties. The first three items are sold out. Come back for chips in 20 minutes. My bacon butty is excellent: soft bread, lots of good, crisp, short back bacon.

In the afternoon the hundred goes up, there is an appeal against the light, and a bowler slips on his run-up. We catch our breath. Anywhere else someone would have shouted: "Get up you dozy bugger" but this is a new ground, it might be a design fault. He gets up. It is not a design fault. He was a dozy bugger.

The appealing smell of a new batch of chips fills the air and I sit on a bench next to a man who is asleep and admire the scoreboard which seems to give more information than is strictly necessary for the game on view.

YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Britannic Assurance county championship

First day of four

Derbyshire v Gloucs

CHESTERFIELD (Gloucestershire won toss). Derbyshire have scored 240 for eight wickets against Gloucestershire

DERBYSHIRE: First innings

P D Bowler c Alleyne b Williams	13
A S Rollins c Ball b Cooper	79
C J Adams c Russell b Alleyne	29
T J G O'Gorman c Wright b Dawson	1
*K J Barnett c Alleyne b Williams	26
D G Cork c Russell b Dawson	55
M J Vandrau c Ball b Cooper	2
†K M Krikken not out	6
A E Warner run out	0
S J Base not out	7
Extras (b 1, lb 6, w 1, nb 15)	23
Total (8 wkts, 87.3 overs)	240

D E Malcolm to bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-64, 3-65, 4-117, 5-208, 6-228, 7-226, 8-226

BOWLING: Cooper 26-11-38-2, Williams 20-1-81-2, Alleyne 16-2-50-1; Dawson 17.3-6-38-2, Ball 2-2-0-0, Pike 6-3-26-0.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: A J Wright, M G N Windows, T H C Hancock, R I Dawson, M W Alleyne, *†R C Russell, R C Williams, M C J Ball, R J Cunliffe, K E Cooper, V Pike

Bonus points: Derbyshire 1, Gloucs 3.

Umpires: B J Meyer and J W Holder.

Worcs v Warwicks

WORCESTER (Worcestershire won toss): Warwickshire have scored 129 for three wickets against Worcestershire

WARWICKSHIRE: First innings

A J Moles c Weston b Illingworth	39
R G Twose c and b Lampitt	39
B C Lara c and b Newport	5
D P Ostler not out	27
T L Penney not out	0
Extras (b 1, lb 6, nb 12)	19
Total (3 wkts, 47.5 overs)	129

P A Smith, *D A Reeve, †K J Piper, G Welch, N M K Smith and T A Munton to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-62, 2-71, 3-124.

BOWLING: Radford 16-8-34-0; Moody 9-5-11-0; Newport 11-1-57-1, Lampitt 10.5-2-14-1, Illingworth 1-0-6-1

WORCESTERSHIRE: *T S Curtis, W P C Weston, A C H Seymour, T M Moody, G R Haynes, D A Leatherdale, S R Lampitt, P J Newport, R K Illingworth, N V Radford, †T Edwards.

Bonus points: Worcs 1, Warwicks 0

Umpires: J H Hams and A G T Whitehead.

Kent v Hampshire

CANTERBURY (Hampshire won toss): Hampshire have scored 136 for five wickets against Kent

HAMPSHIRE: First innings

T C Middleton lbw b Iggleden	0
V P Terry c Marsh b McCague	25
G W White b McCague	3
R A Smith c Marsh b McCague	69
*M C J Nicholas not out	15
K D James b Iggleden	4
†A N Aymes not out	8
Extras (b 4, lb 6, nb 2)	12
Total (5 wkts, 44 overs)	136

S D Udal, M Jean-Jacques, C A Connor and N G Cowans to bat.

FALL: 1-0, 2-15, 3-103, 4-110, 5-122

BOWLING: Iggleseden 11-5-40-2; McCague 15-4-36-3, Ealham 15-6-31-0; Fleming 3-0-19-0.

KENT: T R Ward, *M R Benson, N R Taylor, C L Hooper, G R Cowdrey, M A Ealham, M V Fleming, †S A Marsh, M M Patel, M J McCague, A P Iggleseden

Bonus points: Kent 2, Hampshire 0.

Umpires: G Sharp and R A White

Notts v Leicestershire

TRENT BRIDGE (Leicestershire won toss): Leicestershire have scored 181 for three wickets against Nottinghamshire

LEICESTERSHIRE: First innings

P V Simmons c and b Afford	54
*N E Briers b Mike	58
T J Boon not out	43
J J Whitaker c Lewis b Evans	11
V J Wells not out	11
Extras (lb 3, w 1)	4
Total (3 wkts, 70 overs)	181

B F Smith, †P A Nixon, G J Parsons, A R K Pierson, D J Millns and A D Mullally to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-84, 2-144, 3-163.

BOWLING: Pick 14-2-47-0, Lewis 12-2-30-0, Evans 19-5-48-1; Afford 11-3-28-1; Mike 14-7-25-1.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: P R Pollard, *R T Robinson, G F Archer, J C Adams, P Johnson, C C Lewis, †W M Noon, K P Evans, G W Mike, R A Pick, J A Afford.

Bonus points: Notts 1, Leicestershire 0

Umpires: K J Lyons and N T Plews.

Middlesex v Glamorgan

LORD'S (Middlesex won toss): Middlesex have scored 207 for six wickets against Glamorgan

MIDDLESEX: First innings

D L Haynes c Shaw b Gibson	20
M A Roseberry c Cottey b Dale	20
*M W Gatting run out	73
M R Ramprakash c Cottey b Parkin	21
J D Carr c Dalton b Barwick	2
†K R Brown not out	41
P N Weekes c Hemp b Parkin	7
M A Feltham not out	4
Extras (b 2, lb 5, w 2, nb 10)	19
Total (6 wkts, 59 overs)	207

J E Emburey, G Harris and K Shine to bat.

FALL: 1-42, 2-42, 3-79, 4-92, 5-181, 6-203.

BOWLING: Gibson 19-5-65-1, Parkin 12-2-45-2; Dale 11-3-42-1; Barwick 12-3-32-1; Phelps 5-1-16-0.

GLAMORGAN: A Dale, *H Morris, D L Hemp, M P Maynard, A A Cottey, A J Dalton, O D Gibson, †A D Shaw, B S Phelps, S R Barwick, O T Parkin.

Bonus points: Middlesex 1, Glamorgan 2.

Umpires: B Dudleston and T E Jesty.

Northamptonshire v Sussex

NORTHAMPTON (Northamptonshire won toss): Sussex have scored 256 for eight wickets against Northamptonshire

SUSSEX: First innings

N J Lenham c Ambrose b Roberts	45
C W J Athey c Bailey b Curran	42
*A P Wells c Loye b Ambrose	16
M P Speight lbw b Ambrose	2
C C Remy st Ripley b Roberts	62
†P Moores c Montgomerie b Ambrose	17
F D Stephenson not out	64
P W Jarvis c Montgomerie b Curran	0
I D K Salisbury lbw b Curran	0
Extras (b 8, lb 5)	13
Total (8 wkts, 64.4 overs)	256

J Lewry and E S H Giddins to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-79, 2-105, 3-109, 4-112, 5-147, 6-243, 7-256, 8-256.

BOWLING: Ambrose 16-6-31-3; Hughes 19-6-58-0, Penberthy 12-3-37-0; Curran 19.4-5-62-3, Roberts 18-5-55-2

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: R J Warren, R R Montgomerie, R J Bailey, *A J Lamb, M B Loye, K M Curran, A L Penberthy, †D Ripley, C E L Ambrose, A R Roberts, J G Hughes

Bonus points: Northants 3, Sussex 2

Umpires: H D Bird and K E Palmer

Essex v Lancashire

CHELMSFORD (Essex won toss): Essex have scored 155 for eight wickets against Lancashire

ESSEX: First innings

N V Knight c Hegg b Chapple	12
*J Stephenson c Fairbrother b Austin	20
J J B Lewis c Fairbrother b Martin	4
N Hussain lbw b Austin	18
N Shahid c Hegg b Chapple	3
R C Irani not out	50
†M A Garnham not out	28
M S Kasprowicz c Speak b Chapple	1
M C Ilott c Hegg b Martin	6
P M Such b Austin	6
Extras (b 5, lb 4, w 2, nb 2)	13
Total (8 wkts, 54 overs)	155

J H Childs to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-21, 2-32, 3-48, 4-61, 5-65, 6-116, 7-117, 8-131

BOWLING: Martin 15-3-37-2; Chapple 19-6-56-3, Austin 14-6-38-3; Watkinson 6-1-13-0.

LANCASHIRE: S P Titchard, J E R Gallian, N J Speak, N H Fairbrother, G D Lloyd, I D Austin, *M Watkinson, †W K Hegg, G Yates, P J Martin, G Chapple.

Bonus points: Essex 0, Lancashire 3.

Umpires: G I Burgess and R Palmer

Somerset v Durham

TAUNTON (Somerset won toss): Somerset, with seven first-innings wickets in hand, are 39 runs behind Durham

DURHAM: First innings

W Larkins c Caddick b van Troost	17
M Saxelby lbw b Hayhurst	42
J E Morris lbw b Rose	13
J A Daley c Turner b van Troost	9
J I Longley c Folland b Caddick	2
*P Bainbridge c Turner b Rose	3
†C W Scott lbw b Rose	0
A C Cummins b Rose	29
J Wood c Turner b Hayhurst	0
S J E Brown not out	4
A Walker c Fletcher b van Troost	13
Extras (lb 7, nb 32)	39
Total (58.4 overs)	171

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-25, 2-44, 3-61, 4-80, 5-94, 6-94, 7-144, 8-148, 9-146

BOWLING: Caddick 16-2-47-1; van Troost 17.4-2-64-3; Rose 18-6-40-4, Ecclestone 3-1-8-0; Trump 1-1-0-0; Hayhurst 3-1-5-2

SOMERSET: First innings

M N Lathwell b Cummins	67
I Fletcher b Cummins	8
R J Harden c Longley b Walker	29
N A Folland not out	5
*A N Hayhurst not out	1
Extras (b 4, lb 2, nb 16)	22
Total (3 wkts, 32.3 overs)	132

†R J Turner, G D Rose, S C Ecclestone, A R Caddick, H Trump and A van Troost to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-13, 2-117, 3-131.

BOWLING: Cummins 9-1-36-2, Wood 5.3-0-35-0; Brown 8-2-31-0; Walker 8-1-18-1, Bainbridge 2-0-6-0.

Bonus points: Somerset 4, Durham 1

Umpires: M J Kitchen and P Willey.

Other match

England U-19 v India U-19

CARDIFF (England Under-19 won toss). England Under-19 beat India Under-19 by four wickets

INDIA UNDER-19

J Singh c Vaughan b Innes	9
J A Kumar c Edwards b Silverwood	15
A Mazumdar lbw b Morris	16
V V S Laxman c Dawood b Morris	20
*A Sharma b Keedy	7
H H Kanitkar c Dawood b Edwards	7
†M Mewada lbw b Vaughan	18
M Sarf b Keedy	12
I Siddiqui c McGrath b Innes	15
R Sanghvi run out	1
B Rao not out	7
Extras (b 5, lb 3, w 5, nb 2)	15
Total (49.4 overs)	139

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-24, 2-28, 3-87, 4-88, 5-76, 6-93, 7-102, 8-119, 9-122

BOWLING: Silverwood 6-2-24-1, Innes 8.4-0-34-2; Edwards 9-2-12-1; Morris 5-2-10-2, Keedy 11-2-23-2; Vaughan 11-1-28-1

ENGLAND UNDER-19

M E Trescothick run out	38
*M P Vaughan b Rao	23
A McGrath c Kanitkar b Rao	3
C Schofield b Sanghvi	18
V S Solanki c Siddiqui b Sanghvi	30
A C Morris run out	5
K J Innes not out	2
A D Edwards not out	10
Extras (b 5, lb 3, w 6)	14
Total (6 wkts, 33.3 overs)	143

†I Dawood, C E W Silverwood and G Keedy did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS. 1-75, 2-75, 3-78, 4-126, 5-131, 6-131.

BOWLING: Siddiqui 3-0-19-0; Saif 4-1-19-0; Laxman 4-1-10-0; Sanghvi 9-2-31-2; Rao 10.3-2-52-2, Kanitkar 3-1-4-0.

Go-slow Briers provides solid base for future



Briers: purgatorial

BY SIMON WILDE

TRENT BRIDGE (Leicestershire won toss: first day of four): Leicestershire have scored 181 for three wickets against Nottinghamshire

ANYONE wondering how Leicestershire have got themselves into the position of title contenders needs only to watch them batting in the first innings of a four-day championship match, preferably on the first day. They know exactly what they have to do and do it with an awesome single-mindedness: bat the other team out of the match. It makes awesome viewing.

The man at the centre of this Faustian pact is Nigel Briers, the Leicestershire captain, around who many a solid total has been built this season. Briers was at his purgatorial best yesterday, spending 57 overs at the crease for 58 runs, as his team ground its way to 181 for three in 70 overs. The day was reduced by 40 overs because of rain and bad light.

Briers, though, will be well satisfied. The day began under overcast skies and with an outfield damp after an overnight thunderstorm. There was the danger of early movement for the opening bowlers but, as it happened, little materialised and Briers and Simmons gave Leicestershire their best championship start of the season.

Simmons is the ideal foil for Briers, dazzling onlookers with a wide range of aggressive strokes before anyone has noticed that his partner has yet to venture anything but a defensive prod. Yesterday, with the ball doing so little, Simmons fairly rattled along, scoring 54 out of an opening stand of 84 in 29 overs.

Simmons had survived a couple of confident appeals by Evans, but it was Afford who dismissed him, finding a leading edge to take a return catch. This must have been as much a surprise to Afford as it was to Simmons, for Afford has been having a miserable time of late.

This was the left-arm spinner's first first-class wicket since June 24. Between times he has bowled 101 overs against Essex, Surrey and the South Africans at a cost of 302 runs and had a couple of spells in the second XI. Yesterday it was easy to see why: he largely purveyed a diet of balls that varied greatly in height and width but rarely in quality.

Afford's season has, in fact, mirrored Nottinghamshire's: a productive first month, followed by a period of mixed fortunes, followed by a complete loss of confidence. The club has not won a match in any competition since June 27.

After Simmons was out, Briers was joined by Boon. Together they put on 60 in 29 overs before Briers dragged a ball from Mike into his leg stump. In three hours 20 minutes in the middle, Briers faced 160 balls and hit six fours, the best the one he clipped off his legs against Mike in the first over after the loss of 25 overs to rain during the afternoon session.

In the 70 minutes of play that was then possible before a Stygian gloom descended on the ground, there was one other heartening success for Nottinghamshire. Whitaker, who had scored centuries in his two previous championship appearances, was caught at second slip by Lewis, who held a juggling catch, off the bowling of the deserving Evans for only 11.

Boon, though, is still there, having already been in 41 overs for his 43, and, with plenty of batting to come, Leicestershire are well placed to once again take the driving seat.

Smith relishes duel with McCague

BY IVO TENNANT

CANTERBURY (first day of four; Hampshire won toss): Hampshire have scored 136 for five wickets against Kent

ROBIN Smith is all too aware that his chances of regaining his place in England's middle order are dependent on the failings of others as well as his own form. At least to judge by yesterday's innings, 69 made by cracking the ball all around the wicket on a day on which only 44 overs were possible, he is not totally devoid of self-belief.

This is only the second occasion on which Kent have been able to field both McCague and Igglesden in a first-class match at Canterbury since early May. This would partly explain, if not excuse, Kent's indifferent season. To accommodate them here, the groundsman left some grass on a pitch that also has a number of cracks in it. Smith relished all of this but nobody else did.

Terry was in for 34 overs for 25. Middleton went to the first ball of the match and of the other batsmen, only Nicholas looked capable of coping with the lifting ball. And it lifted a fair deal. Once or twice McCague appeared as quick as Allan Donald, which is about as nice a compliment as you can be given this summer.

The ball with which he bowled White seemed to go straight through him. What followed was an enthralling encounter between McCague and Smith, who in one over twice drove him fiercely to the boundary and three times was beaten outside off-stump. Anything loose from the medium pacers, Fleming and Ealham, was put away through square leg.

Since being dropped by England, Smith's first-class scores have been 2, 162, 23 and 14. The century was off Worcestershire, the two most recent scores against Northamptonshire on an indifferent pitch at Southampton. So he needs one or two decent innings if he is to come into contention for the final Test.

When he was out now it was through attempting to leave one alone from McCague. His 69 had come from just 78 balls and included 13 fours, all firmly struck.

There was all too little entertainment on this, the first day of the oldest of festival weeks, but it was worth enduring the showers to see and there must have been a good 3,000 spectators present.

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Newport again Lara's nemesis

BY JACK BAILEY

WORCESTER (first day of four; Worcestershire won toss): Warwickshire have scored 129 for three wickets against Worcestershire

GLOOM and drizzle took their toll at New Road yesterday, so that 62 overs were lost. Time enough, though, for Worcestershire to take three useful wickets, limit Warwickshire to fewer than three runs an over and for Phil Newport to lay claim to the most illustrious bunny of them all in the shape of Brian Lara.

Three encounters have led to Newport taking Lara's wicket on each occasion. This time Newport could have found a lasting answer to the Lara problem. Others please note. First, employ Stuart Lampitt to bowl at the opposite end and, from round the wicket, send down an absolute sizzler to Lara, pitching on the wicket and, incredibly, moving away from the left-hander off the pitch.

The next stage, after being glanced for four, is a shrewd and intensely painful blow to the box, followed by a sharp caught and bowled as Lara, groping forward, possibly half-blinded by involuntary tears, hits the ball high up on the bat.

Thus Lara was out for five, after previously falling victim to Newport for 26 during the West Indies tour of 1991 and for eight in this year's Benson and Hedges Cup final.

Doubtless, Lara's turn against Newport will come. As it was, none of the Warwickshire batsmen overcame completely the restrictions placed on them by indifferent light and lively seam bowling on a moist pitch. Freedom of stroke was achieved only by Andy Moles who raised a few eyebrows by making 39 of the 62 put on for the first wicket with Roger Twose, who remained relatively strokeless as Moles, after a spell of shadow boxing, launched himself.

Two spanking fours off Newport were followed by a straight six off Illingworth, which to Moles watchers was unusual if not unique. Illingworth has been around for a while, though. The next ball looked similar, dropped shorter and Moles, aiming for a repeat, saw the ball finish in the hands of mid-on.

Twose had made but nine in nearly two hours when Lara's innings of ten balls came to an end, but following a longish spell off the field, through bad light and rain, he hit some firm straight drives and was looking at ease with all the bowling when Lampitt took a sharp return catch. Lampitt is having something of a golden summer, having fared poorly for a season or two.

Yesterday, he produced several real beauties, as near unplayable as could be imagined.

With his brisk action and movement off the seam he has now taken 44 wickets. Before this match he was lying sixth in the averages and although Ostler denied him further success, he did enough here to enable you to see why.

Sussex revive after Ambrose's burst

BY GEOFFREY WHEELER

SUSSEX, who might yet have a say in the destination of the championship title — especially if they can hold the form which enabled them to crush Surrey — enjoyed a mixed day at Northampton where Allan Lamb took some time to make up his mind after winning the toss.

Sussex, who were put in, began with a partnership of 79 between Lenham and Athey before slipping to 147 for five after a demanding spell from Curtly Ambrose. Carlos Remy (60) and Franklyn Stephenson (62 not out) then revived the innings with a sixth-wicket stand of 102 and Sussex finished at 256 for eight, Kevin Curran dismissing Jarvis and Salisbury with successive deliveries before bad light delayed the hat-trick delivery until this morning.

Even without their injured captain, Courtney Walsh, Gloucestershire captured eight Derbyshire wickets at Chesterfield. But 240 was a decent score on a steamy day on which the ball swung and seamed freely. Dominic Cork was the batsman who looked most comfortable in the conditions, scoring 55, and adding 89 in 27 overs overs for the fifth wicket with the stubborn Adrian Rollins who grafted through 71 overs for his 79.

Only 59 overs were possible Lord's, where Owen Parkin, of Glamorgan, marked his first-class debut with the wickets of Ramprakash and Weekes as Middlesex were held to 207 for six. A fine 73 from Mike Gatting was the only batting highlight for Middlesex, who were quickly in trouble after winning the toss, with Haynes and Roseberry both back in the pavilion with only 42 on the board in the tenth over.

While Gatting was at the crease, there was always a chance that Middlesex would gain the upper hand. He reached his half-century off 87 balls and hit four fours in one over from Dale before he was guilty of taking a straightforward single far too casually and was run out for 73.

A dashing half-century from Mark Lathwell compounded a miserable day for Durham at Taunton. The Somerset opening batsman hit ten fours in reaching 67 off 103 balls, making a mockery of the earlier struggles of the visiting batsmen, Durham being dismissed for 171, with Graham Rose taking four for 40.

Game swings in Lancashire's favour

BY PAT GIBSON

CHELMSFORD (first day of four: Essex won toss): Essex have scored 155 for eight wickets against Lancashire

THERE are some subjects that are too serious to make jokes about. "To cope with today's interesting weather," a note on the scorecard said, "the shop can sell you umbrellas, sun hats, sun lotion, rain macs and headache tablets."

It did not seem funny by the end of a day reduced by 56 overs through rain, with Essex in trouble at 155 for eight and Mike Garnham, their wicketkeeper, in need of all the headache tablets he could find after having 16 stitches inserted in a gash above his left eye.

The injury had nothing to do with the weather, but just about everything else did. The atmosphere was so heavy and humid that even the tea ladies would have been able to make the ball swing, so it was a surprise when John Stephenson, the Essex acting captain, chose to bat.

He soon discovered his error. A straight bat is essential in such conditions but Nick Knight, Jonathan Lewis and Stephenson himself were all out in the first 17 overs attempting some sort of cut, the first caught behind, the next two taken at first slip. Nadeem Shahid did at least attempt a drive, but Glen Chapple's movement through the air found the edge of his bat, too.

By then, the Essex faithful had worked out that they had not won any of the last ten championship matches in which Graham Gooch was not playing and they feared the worst in this one when Nasser Hussain went back instead of forward to a ball of full length from Ian Austin and was leg-before.

Half the side had gone for 65, but there was sterner resistance to come from Ronnie Irani, who was clearly intent on proving a point to the county which let him go after giving him only nine championship games in five seasons, and Garnham.

They had put on 50 in 20 overs when a ball from Peter Martin took off from only just short of a length and dealt the defenceless Garnham a sickening blow which left blood streaming down his face as he was led off to hospital with his head swathed in bandages. Irani promptly requested a grille for his helmet and was still there to complete a meritorious 50 just after Garnham returned at the fall of the eighth wicket to show how well the tablets were working.

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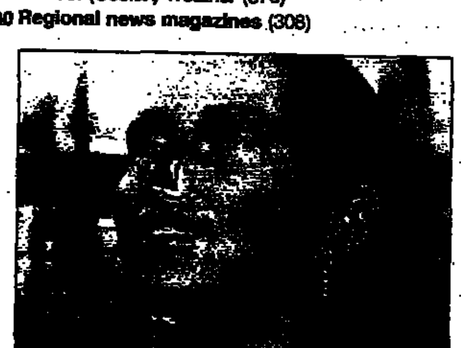
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BBC1

6.00 Business Breakfast (89853)
7.00 BBC Breakfast News (63317698)
9.05 Dizzy Heights (r). (Ceefax) (s) (4665124) **9.30 Ipso Facto** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (88414)
10.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (2608259) **10.05 Playdays** (s) (6907414) **10.30 Teddy Trucks** (r) (6113655) **10.35 Run the Risk** (r) (s) (5419501)
11.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (2549143) **11.05 Moonlighting**. Eighties cult series (r) (s) (5725105) **11.55 Cartoon** (6814476)
12.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (7501124) **12.05 Pebble Mill** (2087650) **12.55 Regional News** and weather (25582650)
1.00 One O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (88358)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (41444037) **1.50 Going for Gold** (s) (41448853)
2.15 The Flying Doctors. High-flying medical drama set in the Australian outback. (Ceefax) (s) (6623292)
3.00 Greenfingers. Includes a visit to Ireland's only permanent garden exhibition centre in Kilquade, Co Wicklow (s) (1595)
3.30 The Way of the Lakes. Tony Warburton makes his way to Ennerdale (872)
4.00 Bugs Bunny (r) (7164766) **4.10 Rugrats** (r) (s) (9855766) **4.35 The Really Wild Show** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (7955495)
5.00 Newsround (3203230) **5.10 Ship to Shore**. (Ceefax) (s) (9146360)
5.35 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (234327)
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis and Jill Dando. (Ceefax) Weather (376)
6.30 Regional news magazines (308)

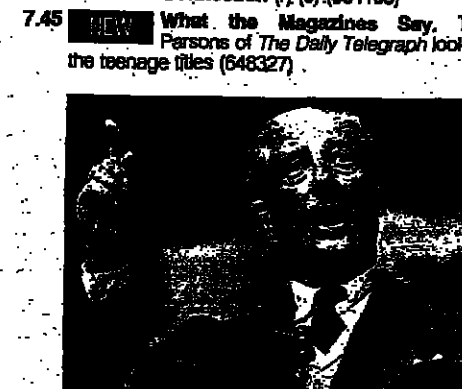


Kerry Shacklock seeks a sponsor (7.00pm)

7.00 **The Contenders**. (Ceefax) (s) (2476)
7.30 International Young Driver of the Year. Bath and England prop forward Victor Obogu is the celebrity guest this week as the six competitors battle it out in the final head of the competition. (Ceefax) (s) (292)
8.00 Porridge. Vintage comedy with Ronnie Barker as the kind-hearted rogue and Richard Beckinsale as his reluctant cellmate (r). (Ceefax) (1124)
8.30 Paramedics. Series following the crews of the Northumbria Ambulance Service as they race from one crisis to another. (Ceefax) (s) (3719)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Regional News and weather (8259)
9.30 Men Behaving Badly. The last in the comedy series starring Martin Clunes and Neil Morrisey as slovenly flatmates. (Ceefax) (s) (79766)
10.00 Return to Lonesome Dove: The Passing. The final part of the story following the fortunes of a group of individuals struggling to carve out an existence in the wild west. (Ceefax) (s) (4778259)
Wales: The Slate 10.30 Return to Lonesome Dove 11.55-1.35am FILM: After Midnight
11.25 FILM: After Midnight (1989). A group of college students visit their weird tutor's house for an evening of gruesome storytelling. Directed by Ken and Jim Wheat (784582)
12.55am Weather (7397525). Ends at **1.00**

BBC2

6.20 Open University
8.00 Breakfast News (Ceefax and signing) (1730834)
8.15 Pinocchio (r) (9144327) **8.40 Babar** (r) (6181853)
9.05 FILM: The George Raft Story (1961, b/w). Ray Danton as the Hollywood actor in this biopic of his life. Directed by Joseph M. Newman (66824105)
10.50 A Day That Shook the World. December 22, 1989, the day Ceausescu was overthrown (r) (5668940)
10.55 Cricket: Second Test. Live coverage of the second day's play in the second Cornhill Insurance Test between England and South Africa from Headingley (s) (18925940)
1.00 Open View (17470105) **1.05 Misstakes**. John Pitman illustrates the problems with props, using clips from the archives (90140940) **1.20 Model Millie** (r) (s) (90138105)
1.35 Cricket: Second Test. Further live coverage of the afternoon's play from Headingley (s). Includes at **2.00** and **3.00** News (Ceefax) and weather and at **3.50** News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (22890124)
6.35 Rough Guide to the Americas. Guatemala and Belize (r). (Ceefax) (888230)
7.15 **Suzanne Bonnar: The Blacksburg Connection** (r) (s) (384105)
7.45 NEW **What the Magazines Say**. Tony Parsons of *The Daily Telegraph* looks at the teenage titles (648327)



Harold Macmillan's political purge (8.00pm)

8.00 Timewatch: Night of the Long Knives. In July 1962, Harold Macmillan, the Prime Minister, sacked his Chancellor of the Exchequer and a third of his Cabinet colleagues. (9766)
8.30 Gardeners' World introduced by Geoff Hamilton. Includes a visit to a lighthouse keeper's garden. (Ceefax) (s) (1501)
9.00 Red Dwarf V (r). (Ceefax) (s) (9501)
9.30 Michael Moore's TV Nation. Reporter Louis Theroux goes to Hot Springs, the town where President Clinton grew up. (Ceefax) (s) (384056)
10.20 Sean's Shorts (r) (s) (920389)
10.30 Newsnight. (Ceefax) (126414)
11.15 Cricket: Second Test. Highlights of the second day's play between England and South Africa from Headingley (s) (632785)
11.55 Weather (439495)
12.00 **The Living Soap** (s) (5865902)
12.40am FILM: La Vie est Belle (1987). A village musician dreams of the bigtime. Directed by Benoit Lamy and Ngangura Mweze. In French with English subtitles (3431475). Ends at **2.05**

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Suzanne Bonnar with her father (BBC2, 7.15pm)

The Blacksburg Connection
BBC2, 7.15pm

Suzanne Bonnar is a jazz and blues singer living in Scotland. Her mother comes from Dunoon, her father was a black American GI who worked at the Holy Loch nuclear base. But her parents split up and she has not seen Dad since she was two, which is 25 years ago. She eventually manages to trace him to London and the camera records a tearful reunion on King's Cross Station. There is more. She travels with her father to Blacksburg, South Carolina, to meet his extensive family. At first the cultural adjustment is difficult but she happily discovers three half brothers, sings gospel songs in the local church and visits the grave of her grandfather. Rarely for a television documentary, it is a story with a happy ending.

The Living Soap
BBC2, midnight

The fly-on-the-wall series about Manchester students makes a reappearance, though you have to be an insomniac to catch it. The project has attracted its share of flak, mainly for presenting the undergraduates as aimless layabouts who prefer horsing around and feeling sorry for themselves to getting down to their studies. That is how they often come across. Perhaps the producers decided that footage of students with their heads in books made less good television. Lectures and seminars feature only briefly tonight, demonstrating that the teachers are even scruffier than their charges. Otherwise the focus is firmly on extra-mural activities, such as abusing the police for daring to issue a summons for driving a car without insurance.

Passengers
Channel 4, 11.05pm

The show aimed at 16 to 30-year-olds seems to assume that it is an age group with a very short attention span. This is the only explanation of a format which crams eight items into the hour and serves them up in a restless, pop video style. The idea seems to be that unless this young audience is hit squarely between the eyes from frame one, it will switch over or switch off. As to content, the emphasis is decidely on the cultural fringes. One report is about a man calling himself Bloody Mess who collects works of art produced by serial killers. No, this is not a reprise of a *Monty Python* sketch. Another item features Jenny Shimizu, a Japanese-American lesbian who used to be a motor mechanic and is now a top model.

The Contenders
BBC1, 7.00pm

The series about science and sport visits Canberra and drops in on the Australian Institute of Sport. The institute was established after Australia's poor showing at the Montreal Olympics when it failed to secure a single gold medal. Its aim is to go talent spotting in the nation's schools, pick out promising young athletes, put the best coaches and facilities behind them and hope that they end up on the victory dais. The institute calls it "managed success". The film draws the contrast with Britain. Kerry Shacklock is a five times British champion in synchronised swimming. Since the sport has a low profile it does not easily attract sponsorship.

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6.00 GMTV (1839327) **9.25 C.O.P.S.** Cartoon (4670056) **9.50 Ox Tales**. Animation (5579834)
10.20 ITN News headlines (Teletext) (9214292) **10.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (9213563)
10.30 FILM: Carly's Web (1987) An ambitious clerk in the Justice Department stumbles across high-level blackmail. Directed by Kevin Inch (56803259) **12.20 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (7507308)
12.30 News (Teletext) and weather (3543056)
12.55 Coronation Street (r). (Teletext) (3528747) **1.25 Home and Away**. (Teletext) (16954679) **1.55 Gardeners' Diary** (72961834)
2.25 A Country Practice (73681414) **2.50 Take the High Road** Scottish drama series (9234056) **3.20 ITN News headlines**. (Teletext) (1982056) **3.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (1981327)
3.30 The Magic House (r) (1986018)



James Peachey is entomologist Kevin (3.45pm)

3.45 Kevin The first of a new series of dramas from Europe centres on a boy's fascination with insects. Stars James Peachey (1907501)
4.00 Rubbish King of the Jumble (s) (1656834) **4.15 Avenger Penguins** (r) (s) (9849105) **4.40 Eye of the Storm** (r). (Teletext) (s) (5944358)
5.10 After 5 (Teletext) (3166327)
5.40 Early Evening News with Dermot Murnaghan. (Teletext) **Weather** (568921)
6.00 Home and Away (r). (Teletext) (556292)
6.25 London Tonight (Teletext) and weather (962360)
7.00 Body Heat. A nationwide search for the man and woman fit enough to become Body Heat Champions of 1994 (s) (5312)
7.30 Coronation Street. (Teletext) (s) (360)
8.00 The Bill: Legacy. New recruit DS Deakin gets his first real taste of action when there is an armed robbery at a building society. (Teletext) (6292)
8.30 Freddie Starr. More mayhem from the comedian, aided and abetted by Kathy Staff, Ray Marioni, Brian Greene and Derek Deadman (s) (5327)
9.00 London's Burning. The firefighters are called to a huge factory blaze which endangers the lives of some of the members of Blue Watch (r). (Teletext) (3292)
10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald. (Teletext) Weather (51872)
10.30 Richard Littlejohn – Live and Uncut with celebrity guests and live music (97921)
12.00 London Tonight (Teletext) and weather (4761525)
12.10am Whale On (s) (1307612)
1.05 ITV Chart Show (s) (8586780)
2.00 NEW **Mind the Gap**. Camelia Obinyan and Graeme Lewsey take a multi-cultural view of what's on in London (83896)
2.30 Gaz Top Non Stop. Gareth Jones visits the Hair Olympics at Wembley (57952)
3.30 Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (86983)
4.00 Noisy Mothers (s) (32419)
5.00 Best of British Motor Sport (17728)
5.30 ITN Morning News (83612) Ends at **6.00**

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6.35 Banana Splits (r) (4749698)
7.00 The Big Breakfast (80921)
9.00 Running the Halls (r) (Teletext) (38921)
9.30 Biker Mice From Mars (5591056)
9.55 Saved By the Bell (r). (Teletext) (5576747)
10.25 Owl TV. Wildlife series (r). (Teletext) (3845747)
10.50 Betty's Bunch. Series about a foster-mother and her children (r) (5489360)
11.20 Tintin Animated adventures of Herge's young hero (r) (5673872) **11.50 The Adventures of Super Mario Brothers** (r) (5581940)
12.00 The Lone Ranger (b/w). Classic western series (58785). Followed by **Boop Beep**. Animation by Howard Beckman
12.30 Sesame Street (r) (14056) **1.30 Madeline**. Cartoon story of a little French girl (74211)
2.00 FILM: The Lamp Still Burns (1943, b/w) starring Rosamund John, Stewart Granger and John Laurie. Morale-boosting melodrama about nurses in a British hospital during the Second World War. Directed by Maurice Elvey (445230)
3.35 Scarecrow (b/w) Comedy short starring Buster Keaton (6278308)
3.55 Shoot the Video. Chris Serle on the art of the filmed interview (r) (s) (8529698)
4.30 Countdown. (Teletext) (501)
5.00 Travels With My Camera: No Direction Home (r) (Teletext) (s) (7785)
6.00 Blossom. Los Angeles-based comedy series (r) (Teletext) (s) (766)
6.30 Happy Days Comedy series set in 1950s Milwaukee (178)
7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) and weather (738650)
7.50 You Don't Know Me But... Mark Lawson with unsolicited advice for Mike Atherton (918698)



A scene from Lea Anderson's *Waiting* (8.00pm)

8.00 Tights, Camera, Action! Choreographer Lea Anderson introduces three works from Britain. Bruce McLain's *Comings and Goings*, Matthew Hawkins's *3rd Movement* and her own *Waiting*. Plus, from New Zealand, Douglas Wright's *Elegy* (s) (4834) **8.30 Brookside**. (Teletext) (s) (3969)
9.00 Garden Club. Roy Lancaster, Matthew Biggs and Rebecca Ranson visit gardens in South Dorset. (Teletext) (1969)
9.30 The Golden Girls (r). (Teletext) (62476)
10.00 Frasier. Comedy spin-off from the successful *Cheers* series. (Teletext) (s) (59414)
10.30 Whose Line Is It Anyway? Improvised comedy from Clive Anderson, Steve Frost, Colin Mochrie, Ryan Stiles and Tony Slattery. With Richard Vranch at the piano (475292)
11.05 CHOICE **Passengers** (s) (648476)
12.10am Beavis and Butt-Head. Cult animation in dubious taste (s) (9730877)
12.40 FILM: Screaming Mimi (1958, b/w) starring Anita Ekberg. Psychological drama about a stripper who, after being sexually assaulted, believes she is a killer. Gerd Oswald directs (9831411) Ends at **2.00**

RADIO 1

FM Stereo. **4.00am** Bruno Brookes **6.30** Steve Wright **9.00** Kevin Greening **12.30pm** Newsbeat **12.45** 1FM Roadshow, from Eastbourne **2.00** Mark Goodier including at **3.45** The Adventures of Superman **4.00** Nicky Campbell with Drivetime including at **5.30-5.45** Newsbeat **7.00** Pete Tong's Essential Selection **10.00** John Peel **1.00am** Mark Tonderai

RADIO 2

FM Stereo **6.00am** Martin Kelner **6.15** Pause for Thought **7.30** Wake Up to Wogan **9.15** Pause for Thought **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.30** Martyn Lewis **2.00pm** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Paul Cola **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Are You Sitting Comfortably? Nostalgic quiz **7.30** Friday Night is Music Night **8.45** Fancy a Bit **9.00** Listen to the Band **10.00** Sheridan Morley with the Radio 2 Arts Programme Tonight's edition comes from the foyer of the Chichester Festival Theatre following a performance of the musical, *Let's Do It* **12.05am** Digby Fairweather **1.00** Charles Nove

RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00am Morning Reports, including at **5.45** Wake Up to Money **6.00** The Breakfast Programme **8.35** The Magazine, including at **9.40** Video Review; **10.35** Europe News; **11.15** Chain Reaction **12.00** Midday with Mair, including at **12.34pm** Moneycheck **2.05** Ruscoe on Five **4.00** John Inverdale Nationwide **7.00** News Extra, including at **7.20** the day's sport in full **7.35** Parkinson on Sport **9.05** Now for the Good News... **10.05** Stop Press **10.35** Financial Week **11.00** Night Extra; incl at **11.45** The Financial World Tonight **12.05am** After Hours **2.00** Up All Night

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. **4.30am** BBC English **4.45** Fruhmagazin **5.00** Newshour **6.00** News in German **6.03** Morgenmagazin, including Tips fur Touristen **6.27** News in German **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** News **7.15** The World Today **7.30** Meridian **8.00** News **8.15** Off the Shelf: The Rainbow **8.30** Women and Sex **9.00** World News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Music Review **10.00** World News **10.05** World Business Report **10.15** Global Concerns **10.30** On the Move **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News **11.01** Focus on Faith **11.30** BBC English **11.45** Mittagsmagazin **12.00** Newsdesk **12.30pm** Meridian **1.00** World News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** Women and Sex **1.45** Sports Roundup **2.00** Newshour **3.00** World News **3.05** Outlook **3.30** Off the Shelf: The Rainbow **3.45** Global Concerns **4.00** World News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** News in German **4.35** Heute Aktuell **5.00** News **5.15** BBC English **6.00** World News **6.05** World Business Report **6.15** The World Today **6.30** News and Features in German **8.00** World News **8.05** Outlook **8.30** Europe Today **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** The World Today **9.30** Science in Action **10.00** Newshour **11.00** News **11.05** World Business Report **11.15** The Long Shadow of Watergate **11.45** Sports Roundup **12.00** Newsdesk **12.30am** Multitrack: Alternative **1.00** News **1.15** Sax in Pop **1.30** From the Weeklies **1.45** The Learning World **2.00** World News **2.05** Outlook **2.30** Worldbrief **2.45** Jazz Now and Then **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** The Long Shadow of Watergate **4.00** Newsdesk

CLASSIC FM

6.00am Nick Bailey **9.00** Henry Kelly **12.00** Joan Thirkettle **2.00pm** Lunchtime Concerto: Mendelssohn (Violin Concerto in E minor) **3.00** Petroc Trelawny **6.00** Sarah Ward **7.00** Classic Verdict **8.00** Evening Concert: Music inspired by countries **10.00** Michael Mappin **1.00am** Robert Booth

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Russ and Jono **10.00** Richard Skinner **1.00pm** Graham Dene **4.00** Wendy Lloyd **7.00** Nick Abbot **10.00** N.J. Williams **2.00am** Howard Pearce

ANGLIA

As London except: 9.50am-10.20 Fraggle Rock (5579834) **10.30** Bananas in Pyjamas (4513871) **10.35** James Bond Junior (5411969) **11.00** Ox Tales (5871414) **11.25** The New Adventures of Black Beauty (5874501) **11.55** The Munsters Today (1757211) **1.55** The Young Doctors (41432292) **2.20-3.20** Murder, She Wrote (9070369) **5.10-5.40** Weekend (3166327) **6.25-7.00** Anglia News (962360) **10.40** Buried Alive (73496360) **12.40am** Real Men (633780) **2.15** Whale On (1330709) **3.05** Noisy Mothers (9178728) **4.05** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (88962167) **4.30-5.30** The New Music (53902)

CENTRAL

As London except: 9.50-10.20 Dinosaurs (5579834) **10.30** Bananas in Pyjamas (4513871) **10.35** James Bond Junior (5411969) **11.00** Ox Tales (5871414) **11.25** The Munsters Today (7827921) **11.50** Deepwater Haven (9822872) **1.55** A Country Practice (41432292) **2.20** Highway to Heaven (3305650) **3.15-3.20** Fashion File (1985143) **5.10-5.40** Movies, Games and Videos (3166327) **6.25-7.00** Central News and Weather (962360) **10.40** Magnum (593037) **11.35** Day of Terror, Night of Fear (444655) **1.25am** Whale On (8521728) **2.25** The Big E (1329693) **3.15** Noisy Mothers (7198761) **4.10** Jobfinder (1271438) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (6595235)

VARIATIONS

HTV WEST

As London except: 10.30-12.20 The Travelling Companion (56803259) **1.55** Take the High Road (72961834) **2.25-3.20** Murder, She Wrote (3304921) **5.10-5.40** A Country Practice (3166327) **5.55** Home and Away (223211) **6.25-7.00** HTV News (962360) **10.40** Hot Pant (73496360) **12.40am** Real Men (633780) **2.15** Whale On (1330709) **3.05** Noisy Mothers (9178728) **4.05** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (88962167)

HTV WALES

As HTV WEST except: 6.25-7.00 Wales Tonight (962360)

MERIDIAN

As London except: 10.30 The Pied Piper (15113308) **12.10pm-12.20** Cartoon (6869785) **1.55** A Country Practice (41432292) **2.20** Take the High Road (73673495) **2.50-3.20** Shortland Street (9234056) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3166327) **6.00-7.00** Meridian Tonight (69389) **10.40** Anything Goes (576360) **11.40** Married with Children (206969) **12.10am-12.40** All Together Now (9732235) **1.40** Noisy Mothers (5137457) **2.40** The New Music (4799490) **3.40** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (15053761) **4.10** America's Top Ten (1351490) **5.00-5.30** Freescreen (17728)

TYNE TEES

As London except: 10.15-10.20 Speedy and Daffy (9224679) **10.30-12.20** The Travelling Companion (56803259) **1.55** A Country Practice (41432292) **2.20-3.10** Murder, She Wrote (3321698) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3166327) **5.55** Tyne Tees Today (902853) **6.30-7.00** Chain Gang (476) **10.40** Survivor (8089292) **12.10am-1.15** Gary Numan Live from London (6288341) **2.15** The Big E (5777983) **3.10** Omar Khayyam (839964) **4.55** Sprockets (56940186) **5.20-5.30** Get Stuffed (6595235)

WESTCOUNTRY

As London except: 1.55 De Medici Kitchen (72961834) **2.25-2.55** Gardeners' Diary (73672766) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3166327) **6.00-7.00** Westcountry Live (69389) **10.50** The Park Is Mine (34599495) **12.40am** Real Men (633780) **2.15** Whale On (1330709) **3.05** Noisy Mothers (9178728) **4.05** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (88962167) **4.30-5.30** The New Music (53902)

YORKSHIRE

As London except: 10.15-10.20 Speedy and Daffy (9224679) **10.30-12.20** The Travelling Companion (56803259) **1.55** A Country Practice (41432292) **2.20-3.10** Murder, She Wrote (3321698) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3166327) **5.55** Calendar (902853) **6.30-7.00** It's a Vet's Life (476) **10.40** Tales from a Hard City (8089292) **12.10am-1.15** Gary Numan Live from London (6288341) **2.15** The Big E (5777983) **3.10** Omar Khayyam (839964) **4.55-5.20** Sprockets (56940186)

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Starts: 7.00 The Big Breakfast (80921) **9.00** Eisteddfod Genedlaethol Nedd B recwest A (38921) **9.30** Biker Mice From Mars (71124) **10.00** Saved By The Bell (70056) **10.30** Owl TV (34105) **11.00** Betty's Bunch (1105) **11.30** The Adventures Of Tintin (1752766) **11.50** Super Mario Brothers (5581940) **12.00pm** The Lone Ranger (58785) **12.30** Sesame Street (14056) **1.30** Crawshaw's Watercolour Studio (74211) **2.00** Secrets Of The Moor (4698) **2.30** Eisteddfod Genedlaethol Nedd Seremoni Y (82940) **4.00** Kingdoms In Conflict (5785) **5.00** Boy Meets World (1781018) **5.20** Countdown (6722211) **6.00** Newyddion (669230) **6.20** Heno (985211) **7.00** Jacpot (8414) **7.30** Eisteddfod Genedlaethol Nedd Y Llwyfan Mwy (39389) **8.30** Newyddion (3969) **9.00** Lleyrs Olsorts (663969) **9.35** Dim Ond Celf (715124) **10.05** Brookside (511871) **10.35** Digonedd Digonedd ......wedi cael digonedd o'r Steddfod (988785) **11.05** Whose Line Is It Anyway? (627786) **11.35** Three Hours In High Heels (298940) **12.05am** Beavis and Butt-Head (9731506) **12.35** Passengers (4565419)

RADIO 3

6.30am Open University: IT in the Motor Industry **6.55** Weather
7.00 On Air, with Andrew McGregor. Takemitsu (To the Island); Tchaikovsky (Variations on a Rococo Theme); **7.32** Strauss (Three Ophelia Songs, Op 67); **8.05** Stravinsky (Scherzo fantastique); Bliss (Pastoral); **8.44** Bach (English Suite No 5 in E minor, BWV 810)
9.00 Composer of the Week: Dvořák. Biblical Songs, Op 99 (Philip Langridge, tenor, Radoslav Kvapil, piano); Rusalka's Song to the Moon, Rusalka; Armida's vision aria, Armida (Lucia Popp, soprano; Munich Radio Orchestra under Stefan Soltesz); String Quartet in A flat, Op 105 (Prague Quartet)
10.00 Musical Encounters: Guy Klucevsek (Samba D Hiccup); **10.07** Ernesto Nazareth (Apanhei-te-cavaquinho); Waldir Azevedo (Delicado: Os Ingenuos); Duruflé (Lux aeterna, Requiem, Op 9); **11.39** *Artist of the Week*: Philip Pickett, director. Bach (Brandenburg Concerto No 6 in B flat, BWV 1051: New London Consort); **11.56** Duruflé (In Paradisum, Requiem, Op 9)
12.00 Voices, with Susan Sharpe (r)
1.00pm Saint-Saëns and Schumann: The York Piano Trio performs Schumann (Piano Trio No 2 in F, Op 80); Saint-Saëns (Piano Trio No 2 in E minor, Op 92) (r)
2.10 Youth Orchestras of the World: Iceland Youth Orchestra with the Reykjavik Philharmonia Choral Society under Paul Zukovsky performs Jon Leifs's *Baldr*, an epic music drama without words
3.40 Pawel Kowalski: The Polish pianist performs Bach, Liszt, Brahms, Paderewski and Chopin (r)
4.30 Songs to Help the Crops Grow: Music of the aboriginal peoples of Taiwan (r)
5.00 The Music Machine: Folk music (r)
5.15 In Tune: Includes **5.15** Mozart (Overture, The Magic Flute); **6.03** Pieces from The Gershwin Songbook; **6.30** Vaughan Williams (Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis)
7.00 BBC Proms 1994, live from the Albert Hall, London. The Hallé Orchestra under Kent Nagano, with Hakan Hagegard, baritone, Susan Gritton, soprano, and the Hallé Choir (ladies' voices), performs Elgar (Introduction and Allegro); Berg (Three Orchestral Pieces, Op 6); Mahler (Lieder eines fahrenden Gesellen). **8.00** Anthony Burton talks to Kent Nagano about his first two years with the Hallé. **8.20** Vaughan Williams (Symphony No 7, Sinfonia Antartica). See Choice
9.20 Inherit the Truth: The last in the series of memoirs by Anna Lasker-Wallfish, a cellist in the orchestra at Auschwitz (r)
9.40 Magda Tagliaferro: A selection of recordings by the Brazilian-French pianist from the 1950s, including works by Villa-Lobos, Granados, Saint-Saëns, Liszt and Brahms
10.15 BBC Proms 1994, live from London's Albert Hall. The BBC Singers under Simon Joly perform Giles Swayne's *CRY*
11.30-12.30am Midnight Oil: A sequence of instrumental solos by James Dillon, Salvatore Sciarrino, Alwynne Pritchard, Richard Barrett, Kaija Saariaho, Roger Redgate, James Clapperton and Shinuh Lee

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing, incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day **6.30** Today, incl **6.30**, **7.00**, **7.30**, **8.00**, **8.30** News **6.45** Business News **6.55**, **7.55** Weather **7.25**, **8.25** Sports News **7.45** Thought for the Day, with Lionel Blue
8.40 Just William: William and the Fairy Daffodil, by Richmal Crompton **8.58** Weather
9.00 News 9.05 Desert Island Discs: Sue Lawley's castaway is Sir Leon Brittan (r)
9.45 Feedback, presented by Chris Dunkley
10.00-10.30 News; Fresh Air and Sandals (FM only): In the first of three programmes, Bea Campbell explores the legacy of the Utopian Socialists
10.00 An Act of Worship (LW only)
10.15 Children's Radio 4: The Thirteen Clocks (LW only), by James Thurber (final part)
10.30 Woman's Hour (FM only from 11.00), with Gail Foley. Serial: *With One Lousy Free Packet of Seed*, by *Times* columnist Lynne Truss
11.00-7.00pm Test Match Special (LW only): Commentary on the second day's play in the second Test between England and South Africa
11.30 The Natural History Programme (FM only)
12.00 News; You and Yours (FM)
12.25pm The Heritage Quiz (FM only), chaired by Sue MacGregor. With panelists Christopher Cook, Colin Ford, Philippa Gregory and Adrian Henn **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World at One
1.40 The Archers (FM only) (r) **1.55** Shipping
2.00 News; Classic Serial (FM only): The Expedition of Humphry Clinker. Part two of a dramatisation of Tobias Smollett's boisterous tour round Georgian Britain. With Timothy West (r)
3.00 News; Anderson Country (FM only)
4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope: The Tour (FM only): Tim Marlow reports on the seamy side of Brighton, a fertile source of ideas for comedians, pop stars and thriller writers
4.45 Short Story (FM only): A Basket Full of Wallpaper, by Colum McCann. Read by Dan Gordon
5.00 PM (FM only) **5.50** Shipping **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News (FM only)
6.30 Barging Across Europe (FM only): Peter Day reaches the former Yugoslavia
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 Pick of the Week, with Christopher Serle
8.05 Have Your Say: Donald MacCormick chairs a topical debate on rural issues at Minety village hall in Wiltshire
8.50 Holidays in Hell: A celebration of the British seaside holiday in the 1950s and 1960s (r)
9.15 Letter from America, by Alistair Cooke
9.30 Kaleidoscope Feature If I Had a Hammer — Pete Seeger at 75. Billy Bragg presents a profile of the singer (r) **9.59** Weather
10.00 The World Tonight, with Robin Lustig
10.45 Book at Bedtime: Foreign Parts, by Janice Galloway. Siobhan Redmond reads the final part
11.00 The Mark Steel Solution
11.25 Fourth Column, with Alexei Sayle
11.50 Rushes II: Storm. See Choice
12.00-12.43am News, incl **12.27** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** World Service (LW only)

CHOICE

Rushes II: Storm. *Radio 4, 11.50pm.*

Simon Elmes's montage of voices, music and thunderclaps includes everything about electrical storms except Johann Strauss's *Thunder and Lightning*. Even Frankenstein's demented cry of "It's alive! It's alive!" gets a brief flash. A man tape-recording a storm in his garden thinks thunder sounds very delicate, even beautiful. There is no accounting for taste. A child counts to 17 and, on cue, comes the roll of distant thunder. A shorter count, and the din is overhead. A husband tells his wife she is mad because she smells an impending storm. He is wrong, she is right.

BBC Proms 1994. *Radio 3, 7.00pm.*

Tonight's Prom, given by the Hallé is a tribute to John Barbirolli, the orchestra's conductor for 27 years. All the works were part of his repertoire. One in particular is synonymous with his name. It is Vaughan Williams's *Sinfonia Antartica*. Barbirolli wielded the baton when the Hallé premiered it in 1953. It was, of course, Vaughan Williams who nicknamed him "Glorious John", and he dedicated his Symphony No 3 to him.

Peter Davalle

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SATELLITE

SKY ONE

6.00am DJ Kat (70190834) **9.10** Cartoons (1706582) **9.30** Card Sharks (1811698) **9.55** Concentration (1896389) **10.25** Dynamo Duck (3964563) **10.30** Love at First Sight (78563) **11.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (23650) **12.00** The Urban Peasant (92143) **12.30pm** E Street (93360) **1.00** Falcon Crest (21143) **2.00** Hart to Hart (15143) **3.00** Another World (4938501) **3.45** DJ Kat (6162698) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (3747) **6.00** The Simpsons (2360) **6.30** Blockbusters (6940) **7.00** E Street (4476) **7.30** M*A*S*H (2124) **8.00** Code 3 (3124) **8.30** Sightings (2259) **9.00** The Adventures of Brisco County Jr (46476) **10.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (49563) **11.00** Late Show with David Letterman (904414) **11.45** V (810230) **12.45-1.45am** Hill Street Blues (106998)

SKY NEWS

News on the hour.
6.00am Sunrise (14563) **9.30** Memories of 1970-91 (20414) **10.30** Nightline (76105) **11.30** Japan Business Today (24766) **1.30pm** CBS News (23501) **2.30** Parliament (24043) **3.30** The Lords (1018) **4.30** News and Business Report (9037) **7.30** *Financial Times* Reports (1786) **9.30** Talkback (11766) **11.30** CBS News (97540) **12.30am** ABC News (68235) **1.30** *Financial Times* Reports (66167) **2.30** Memories of 1970-91 (26525) **3.30** Talkback (17877) **4.30** Beyond 2000 (18032) **5.30** CBS News (48772)

SKY MOVIES

6.00am Showcase (9548312)
10.00 A Distant Trumpet (1964): A group of cavalry soldiers treat the native Indians with contempt and cruelty (37196)
12.00 The Last of Sheila (1973) Murder mystery about a playboy who invites his friends and enemies on to his yacht (96018)
2.00pm At the Earth's Core (1976): Victorian scientists tunnel their way through to the centre of the earth (63143)
4.00 The Mirror Crack'd (1980): An American actress is murdered on a film set. Agatha Christie whodunit (17119259)
5.55 Archer (1985): Story of the first winner of the Melbourne Cup horse race (92305292)
7.40 US Top Ten: Film news (929679)
8.00 City of Joy (1992): Doctor Patrick Swayze practises in Calcutta (12440698)
10.15 The Super (1991): An unscrupulous landlord (Joe Pesci) is ordered to live in his own slum building (659476)
11.45 The American Samurai (1991) Martial arts drama (687259)
1.15am The Prisoner of Second Avenue (1975) Jack Lemmon and Anne Bancroft are a New York couple struggling to come to terms with the urban way of life (517419)
2.50 Fierce Boxer (1974): The son of a martial arts master is pursued by his father's killers. With Lee Chen Kun (519438)
4.25 At the Earth's Core (as 2pm) (313877). Ends at **6.55**

SKY MOVIES GOLD

6.00pm Beachhead (1954). Marines try to locate Japanese mines (38495)
8.00 Will Penny (1968) Joan Hackett helps cowboy Charlton Heston (33940)
10.00 Red Scorpion (1989). Dolph Lundgren is a Russian operative sent to Africa to murder a rebel agent. With M Emmet Walsh (69245) Ends at **12.00**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

6.00am God's Little Acre (1958). A man's pursuit of gold almost costs him his family. Starring Robert Ryan (69230)
8.00 Terry on the Fence (1985). Children's film about a young boy (Jack McNicholl) who is pushed into shoplifting by a gang of school hooligans (56227)
10.00 Felix the Cat — The Movie (1990): Cartoon adventures of the fabulous feline (37178)
12.00 West of Zanzibar (1954): Ivory poachers clash with local tribes (87360)
2.00pm Rhapsody in August (1991). Akira Kurosawa's story of a family gathering which changes the lives of all who attend (61785)
4.00 Goodbye, My Lady (1956): Walter Brennan and Brandon de Wilde are joined by a loveable hound on a long journey (9921)
6.00 Terry on the Fence (as 8am) (53940)
7.30 The Movie Show (5834)
8.00 Mom and Dad Save the World (1993): An alien delays his plans to destroy the earth when he kidnaps housewife Teri Garr. With Jeffrey Jones (53785)
10.00 Past Midnight (1992): Natasha Richardson plays a social worker who has an affair with paroled murderer Rutger Hauer (740834)
11.40 Kuffs (1992). Student Christian Slater inherits a San Francisco police protection agency after his brother (Bruce Boxleitner) is murdered. With Milla Jovovich (965563)
1.25am The Lord of the Rings (1978) Ralph Bakshi's animated epic based on the fantasy sagas of Tolkien (72442273)
3.40 Coopersmith (1991) Grant Show investigates the killing of a sportsman's wife (40597099) Ends at **5.00**

SKY SPORTS

7.00am WWF All-American Wrestling (12766) **8.00** World Soccer Magazine (82853) **8.30** World of Rugby Union (81124) **9.00** Soccer's Entertainers (72476) **9.30** Aerobics Oz Style (15679) **10.00** Australian Rugby League (28143) **12.00** Aerobics Oz Style (85940) **12.30pm** High Five (19495) **1.00** Powerboat World (24150) **2.00** International Darts (512143) **5.00** World Sports (6308) **5.30** Soccer's Entertainers (4747) **6.00** Ladies' Golf (27414) **7.00** Horse Racing (82327) **9.00** International Darts (96495) **11.00** Soccer's Entertainers (51834) **11.30** Ladies' Golf (51259) **12.30am** World Sports (22051) **1.00** International Darts (97051) **3.00-5.30** International Rugby Union (429430)

EUROSPORT

7.30am Step Aerobics (76766) **8.00** Basketball (232056) **11.00** Live Tennis (1633105) **5.00pm** Motorcycling (1476) **5.30** International Motorsports Report (23056) **6.30** News (3768) **7.00** Basketball (332495) **10.00** Boxing (25871) **11.30** Motorcycling Magazine (32634) **12.00** Tennis (53419) **12.30-1.00am** Eurosport News (24419)

UK GOLD

7.00am The Sullivans (7783018) **7.30** Neighbours (7795853) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (7455018) **8.30** EastEnders (7454389) **9.00** The Bill (7478969) **9.30** All Creatures Great and Small (6612921) **10.30** Casualty (56610230) **11.35** The Sullivans (57410679) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (7458105) **12.30pm** Neighbours (6254853) **1.00** EastEnders (7782389) **1.30** The Bill (6253124) **2.00** Are You Being Served? (7864292) **2.30** Rosie (3083143) **3.00** Knots Landing (3446698) **4.00** Dynasty (3425105) **5.00** Every Second Counts (4952921) **5.40** The Goodies (6789143) **5.55** Sykes (1971037) **6.30** EastEnders (3075124) **7.00** Are You Being Served? (7875308) **7.30** And Mother Makes Five (3071308) **8.00** Rumpole of the Bailey (1527940) **9.00** Casualty (1514476) **10.00** The Bill (7459834) **10.30** Colin's Sandwich (3264414) **11.10** Thunderbirds (2080650) **12.10am** Dr Who (2267964) **12.40** FILM. Anything to Survive (1990) A father and his three children are shipwrecked off the Alaskan coast. With Robert Conrad (1322506) **2.20-3.30** Shopping at Night (57115544)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL

6.00am Droobee Time (43209) **7.00** Spirit and Hercules (6164327) **7.15** Pastagums (6947308) **7.30** Casper and Friends (89327) **8.00** Pingu (7934414) **8.05** Head to Head (7924037) **8.15** Rude Dog (2670360) **8.30** Beverly Hills Teens (30414) **9.00** Bobby's World (7378834) **9.25** Around the World in 80 Seconds (9778389) **10.00** Twins of Destiny (56501) **10.30** Runaway Bay (10650) **11.00** Chuckle Club (69263) **11.30** Amazing Live Sea Monkeys (19722) **12.00** Hour of Power (34230) **12.30pm** New Fantastic Four (66785) **1.00** Guitars and Roses (69563) **1.30** Swan's Crossing (67056) **2.00** Barney and Friends (5766) **2.30** Mysterious Cities of Gold (3037) **3.00** Garfield and Friends (7501) **3.30** Head to Head (8797501) **3.40** Summer Crunch (6998921) **4.30-5.00** Saved by the Bell (6501)

NICKELODEON

7.00am Pondles (10308) **8.00** Hero Turtles (80495) **8.30** Chipmunks (89766) **9.00** Doug (70018) **9.30** Clarissa (74691) **10.00** Rocko/Garbage Pail Kids (49124) **10.30** Denver the Last Dinosaur (92230) **11.00** Pee-Wee's Playhouse (67495) **11.30** Smoggies (68124) **12.00** Nick Faves (83582) **12.30pm** The Muppet Show (17037) **1.00** Chipmunks (69476) **1.30** Nick's Cartoon Hour (40582) **2.30** Garbage Pail Kids (4501) **3.00** Pee-Wee's Playhouse (2105) **3.30** Viewers' Choice (3018) **4.00** Hero Turtles (5853) **4.30** Doug (1037) **5.00** Chroma Zone (6785) **6.00** Clarissa Explains It All (5230) **6.30** Roundhouse (9246)

DISCOVERY

4.00pm Nature by Profession (3423747) **5.00** Space Age (7365921) **6.00** Beyond 2000 (6260414) **7.00** Blood, Sweat and Glory (1516834) **8.00** The Real West (1525582) **9.00** The Munro Show (3452259) **9.30** Challenge of the Seas (6272259) **10.00** The New Explorers (7457476) **10.30** Fire (7466124) **11.00-12.30am** Wings Over the World (7790306)

BRAVO

12.00 FILM. Offbeat (1961 b/w): Agent William Sylvester falls for a robber (51346785) **1.15pm** Rhubarb (7791679) **2.00** The Partridge Family (7859360) **2.30** Get Smart (3078211) **3.00** My Three Sons (7878495) **3.30** The Beverly Hillbillies (3060056) **4.00** FILM. Ziggy Stardust and the Spiders from Mars (1982): Cult documentary about the rise and fall of David Bowie's alter-ego (7872211) **6.00** Hogan's Heroes (3079940) **6.30** The Twilight Zone (7196679) **7.30** Saber of London (3066476) **8.00** The Avengers (1529309) **9.00** It's Garry Shandling's Show (3449785) **9.30** FILM. Curse of the Stone Hand (1964, b/w). A set of sculptures terrify the occupants of an estate. With John Carradine (1552582) **11.00-12.00** The Time Tunnel (7787834)

UK LIVING

6.00am Agony Hour (4182124) **7.00** Living Highlights (3730501) **8.00** Days of Our Lives (8568853) **8.55** Floyd on Fish (2751766) **9.25** Mr Motivator's Mornings (6653394) **9.30** Now You See It (7986018) **10.00** Trivia Trap (6460574) **10.30** Crosswits (3769150) **11.00** Definition (4657872) **11.30** The Young and the Restless (1926105) **12.30pm** Yoga (29987698) **12.45** Best of Kilroy (7117501) **1.30** First Time Garden (7969105) **2.00** Agony Hour (9621673) **3.00** Living (9048872) **3.45** Gladrags and Glamour (81848834) **4.00** Infatuation (7627037) **4.30** Definition (7616921) **5.00** Musiquest (4459501) **5.30** The Fish Course (7630501) **6.00** Best of Anne and Nick (7690921) **8.00** The Young and the Restless (7691650) **9.00** FILM. Stop at Nothing. A woman loses custody of her daughter to a man she believes to be a child abuser. With Veronica Hamel and Lindsay Frost (20177327) **10.50** Short Shorts (7154360) **11.00** Infatuation (4659853) **11.30-12.00** Housecalls (4671178)

FAMILY CHANNEL

5.00pm Wonder Years (6018) **5.30** Danger Bay (7853) **6.00** WKRP (4766) **6.30** Family Catchphrase (5018) **7.00** All Clued Up (9582) **7.30** All Together Now (7230) **8.00** Bordertown (8230) **8.30** GP (4037) **9.00** Neon Rider (22834) **10.00** Pyramid (42259) **10.30** Newhart (28679) **11.00** Lou Grant (79940) **12.00-1.00am** Remington (33728)

MTV

5.00am Wild Side (345099) **8.00** VJ Ingo (867766) **11.00** The Soul of MTV (67105) **12.00** Greatest Hits (49650) **1.00pm** Summertime (6389211) **3.30** The Report (8780211) **3.45** At the Movies (8785766) **4.00** News (3544308) **4.15** 3 From 1 (3567259) **4.30** Dial MTV (5259) **5.00** Music Non-Stop (24853) **7.00** Greatest Hits (35308) **8.00** Most Wanted (10785) **9.30** Beavis and Butt-Head (57679) **10.00** The Report (675327) **10.15** At the Movies (653582) **10.30** News (414766) **10.45** 3 From 1 (402921) **11.00** VJ Marijne (53819) **1.00am** Chill Out Zone (26148) **2.00-5.00** Videos (5920235)

TV ASIA

6.00am Persian Dawn (96105) **7.00** Asian Morning (86230) **9.00** Serial (41143) **10.00** Pakistani FILM (503056) **1.00pm** New Serial (63389) **1.30** Hindi FILM (36623) **3.00** Pakistani FILM Kora Kagaz (103265) **5.30-6.00** TVA and You (1081) **7.00** Bollywood Plus (7414) **7.30** Waqt (2766) **8.00** English News (643704) **8.15** Hindi FILM (44976673) **11.15** Zaeen Aasman (278476) **12.05am** Five Past Midnight (9796254) **1.35** Sight and Sound (91877)

CARTOON NETWORK/TNT

Continuous cartoons from 5am to 7pm, then TNT films as below.
Theme: Spotlight on Robert Taylor
7.00pm Above and Beyond (1952): Robert Taylor stars in this story of the Enola Gay, the plane that dropped the bomb on Hiroshima. With Eleanor Parker, Jim Backus (56556501)
9.15 Many Rivers to Cross (1955) Tough frontierswoman Eleanor Parker pursues fiery trapper Robert Taylor (78191501)
11.00 All the Brothers Were Valiant (1953): Robert Taylor and Stewart Granger play two seagoing brothers who are destined to become bitter rivals (46433292)
12.50am Conspirator (1949, b/w): Elizabeth Taylor is the naive young wife who learns that her husband is a Communist spy (58768896)
2.30 Stand by For Action (1942, b/w): Naval reservist Robert Taylor is plunged into action during the Second World War. With Charles Laughton (53682032). Ends at **5.15**

England captain shows his character with fighting innings at Headingley

Atherton gives his critics the perfect answer

BY ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

HEADINGLEY (England won toss: first day of five): England have scored 268 for four wickets against South Africa

IF THE measure of an innings is not so much imagery as circumstance, then Michael Atherton yesterday played the innings of his life. An England cricket captain has seldom begun a Test match under such scrutiny, nor reacted with such character. The outcome might be that England will beat South Africa and the captain's standing will be transformed once more.

What a confusion of thoughts must have crowded Atherton's mind before play. Since his last competitive match ended, 11 days ago, in stunning defeat compounded by personal crisis, his life has not been his own. Now, he was to discover if the public was behind him, if his team could still respond to him and if his own batting could possibly flourish beneath such withering attention.

This morning, he has positive answers to every question. The Headingley crowd endorsed his decision to stay in the job, amid a clamour for his head, with a prolonged ovation when he went out to open the innings. They restated their feelings, at increased volume, when he returned with 99 to his name.

By then, a third-wicket stand of 142 with a courageously vibrant Graham Thorpe had made the South African attack look a good deal less devastating than it had been at Lord's and England were on course for the sort of total they constantly need, but seldom attain, in order to dictate a Test.

If, as he must, Atherton regards the Lord's Test as the worst experience of his career, this must have been close to the best. He has frequently batted more fluently, for there was hardly a moment when he made it look easy, but anyone foolish enough to doubt the inner strength that has been his salvation under stress must surely concede that here is a man of rare resolution. Falling one run short of a century, for the second time at Test level, was an injustice but an immense weight has surely been lifted from him.

His day began with two difficult decisions. He preferred the big-match dependability of Angus Fraser to the county form of Joey Benjamin and chose to bat first in spite of a damp pitch, an outfield slowed by thunderstorms and sultry, swing-bowling weather.

It was, nonetheless, correct. England's strategy, with six specialist batsmen and a spin bowler, was based on the premise that this already slow pitch will play less reliably on the final two days. Early wickets, however, would have brought recriminations, so the sight of Graham Gooch — once more the No 1 — guiding his first ball imperiously through mid-wicket for four was hugely reassuring.

Gooch fell in the twenties for the third time in succession and will be disappointed both with that and with the manner of his going. Fanie de Villiers had Gooch taken at second slip with what was little better than a wide half-volley.

Graeme Hick was greeted with a short ball, as he customarily is, but his reaction was to uppercut it fiercely for four to third man. It was 34 minutes before he scored again but by lunch he was playing positively and had overtaken Atherton through some assertive square cuts.

To lose only one wicket in the first session was a significant achievement. The pitch was fickle enough for Atherton to be hit in the throat by an apparently innocuous ball from Brian McMillan, and the clouds had gathered ominously after a sunny start, further encouraging the swing bowlers. De Villiers' second breach again came through an attacking stroke, by Hick, and an edge to second slip where, this time, McMillan performed wonders to clutch and hold the ball at full stretch, high to his right.

The theory that De Villiers's disciplined line could be disrupted by a left-hander looked flimsy as Thorpe, on one, edged a slanting ball so close to Wessels's grasp at first slip that the bowler — though not the fielder — claimed a catch. If Thorpe had then been submissive, this day would have had a different complexion, but instead he launched a thrilling counter-attack.

De Villiers was taken for 19 in two overs as Thorpe hooked and pulled with wondrous confidence for one who had much to prove after a summer of frustration. Thorpe, indeed, was playing such an array of strokes that it seemed perverse to come off for bad light, despite the evidence of all five scoreboard lights. Forty minutes were lost before Thorpe took up where he had left off.

He fell to a slower ball, sliced to cover, and Atherton, having twice flirted with fate on 99, checked a drive against McMillan and returned a tame catch. Infuriated as he must have been, the acclaim on his long walk back must have inspired happier thoughts than he has experienced for some days.

SCOREBOARD

ENGLAND: First Innings

G A Gooch c McMillan b de Villiers (45min, 40 balls, 4 fours)	23
*M A Atherton c and b McMillan (320min, 224 balls, 9 fours, 1 six)	99
G A Hick c McMillan b de Villiers (89min, 61 balls, 4 fours)	25
G P Thorpe c Rhodes b McMillan (157min, 112 balls, 13 fours)	72
A J Stewart not out (70min, 48 balls, 4 fours)	24
J P Crawley not out (42min, 29 balls, 2 fours)	12
Extras (lb 4, nb 9)	13
Total (4 wkts, 363min, 84 overs)	268

†S J Rhodes, P A J DeFreitas, D Gough, A R C Fraser and P C R Tufnell to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-34 (Atherton 9), 2-84 (Atherton 28), 3-226 (Atherton 93), 4-235 (Stewart 3).

BOWLING: Donald 20-2-95-0 (nb 4; 3-0-18-0, 3-0-12-0, 7-1-35-0, 7-1-30-0), De Villiers 20-5-65-2 (nb 5; 2-1-8-0, 6-2-11-1, 5-1-23-1, 4-0-17-0, 3-1-8-0); Matthews 21-5-50-0 (7-2-13-0, 5-2-12-0, 6-0-20-0, 3-1-5-0); McMillan 17-6-43-2 (5-3-6-0, 5-0-26-0, 7-3-11-2); Cronje 6-1-11-0 (nb 1; 1-0-4-0, 1-1-0-0, 4-0-7-0).

SOUTH AFRICA: A C Hudson, G Kirsten, W J Cronje, *K C Wessels, P N Kirsten, J N Rhodes, B M McMillan, †D J Richardson, C R Matthews, P S de Villiers, A A Donald.

Umpires: S R Dunne and D R Shepherd
Replay umpire J C Balderstone

IAN HODGSON



Thorpe sways under a short-pitched ball from McMillan on his way to 72 at Headingley yesterday

Atkinson tempts Fashanu to join Aston Villa

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

ASTON Villa sprang a surprise yesterday when they signed John Fashanu, the Wimbledon striker, for £1.35 million. Ron Atkinson, the Villa manager, said that talks had been going on for ten days before a deal could be agreed with the 30-year-old former England international.

"Twice I was rebuffed, but I went back again and Wimbledon were persuaded to part with him," Atkinson said. "I feel Fashanu will have an important role to play for us this season.

"He will have a big influence on the team and put some sparkle into the attack. It's a known fact that no opposition defence likes playing against Fashanu. I hope that when they are keeping a close eye on him other players will step in and score some goals."

Fashanu admitted that he had begun to slow down after nine years with Wimbledon: "Joining a new club, however, will renew all my old enthusiasm and make the game more exciting. There is also the added bonus of playing in Europe next season. This has always been an ambition of mine and it will hopefully be achieved playing for Villa."

Fashanu's departure after eight years saddened Sam Hammam, the Wimbledon chairman: "He will only be playing for Villa. He is a professional and he will do what he has to do, but his heart and soul will still be at Wimbledon." Fashanu had signed a five-year contract with the club in March.

Fashanu, an aggressive and controversial striker, has led Wimbledon from the front both on and off the pitch since 1986. Part of the FA Cup-winning team in 1988, Fashanu has been involved in a number of incidents, most recently when Gary Mabbutt, the Tottenham Hotspur defender, had his cheekbone broken after appearing to be felled by Fashanu's elbow. He has business interests to pursue off the pitch, including co-hosting the ITV television programme *Gladiators*. He has also been appointed as a special representative to Unicef, the United Nations' children's fund.

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Rangers prepare, 36

Courageous leadership commands admiration



MICHAEL HENDERSON
At Headingley

It was Casanova, portrayed by Donald Sutherland in Fellini's film about the notorious libertine, who rounded on an accuser: "I am the sole guardian of my honour. I regard any reference to it as an outrage."

Michael Atherton's honour has been impugned so recklessly in the past 11 days, not always by the most decorous of persons, so it was a proud and (almost) fulfilled England captain who faced his accusers last night.

If he is not yet a rehabilitated one, time may provide balm. He has been foolish and is certainly a chastened young man, but he has not mislaid his sense of humour. When the crowd barracked Allan Donald in a good-natured way for drying his hands in the sawdust, Atherton, watching from the non-striker's end, was not above a grin of recognition.

Had he failed yesterday, his humiliation could not have been more public. Well, the world watched and Atherton simply put his head down and, in five hours and 20 minutes of hard batting, showed them what sort of man he is.

His spirit was unconquerable and if he fell one run short of his eighth Test hundred, not one person thought any the less of him. Talk of trial by an unsympathetic Yorkshire jury was misplaced. Headingley applauded him on and cheered him off.

Few people have emerged healthily from the events of the past fortnight. It is no use damning the tabloids willy-nilly because the two most sensible "thought" pieces on the alleged ball-tampering at Lord's were written by tabloid journalists, Ian Wooldridge and James Lawton.

By some way the worst was by a broadsheet writer who, recalling Atherton's promotion to the captaincy, sneered at the "choirs of Disney angels fawningly serenading him". If memory serves, and it does, the man who supplied that description last week strummed the biggest harp.

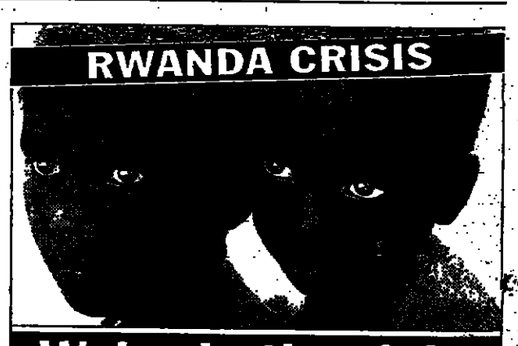
It will take time, and a win or two, for Atherton to reclaim his authority. He needed to show publicly that his will had held. For all his claims the players were behind him he had to prove himself worthy of their support. All fair-minded folk must agree that he put down 99 solid bricks on that road yesterday.

Reasonable men have noted a hardening of Atherton's conduct this year into something approaching arrogance. Be that as it may, when a 25 year old is elevated to a position of such intense public scrutiny his life is bound to be affected in ways that are not always immediately apparent. He has learnt the hardest lesson of his life. Thankfully the best part of that life lies ahead.

Nobody has ever doubted this man's strength of character. In a short career he has already survived the burden of excessive praise as a youngster, a serious spinal injury and an official cold shoulder on the tour of India that would have sapped the resolve of less single-minded men.

Yesterday, his answer was there for all to see. Although he played fitfully there were enough strokes of quality to admire, even a rare six. Michael Atherton still commands admiration as a man and cricketer. His honour may have been temporarily tainted. His courage is visible to all who have eyes to see.

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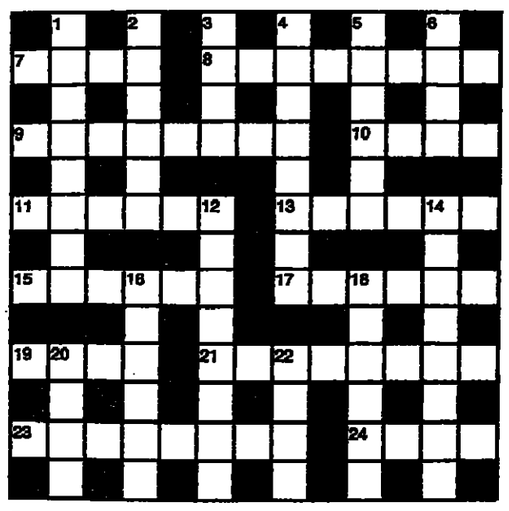
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TIMES TWO CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

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8 A parallel or corresponding item (8)
9 US lawyer (8)
10 Medical photo (1-3)
11 Devise (6)
13 Quirk (6)
15 Not liable for inclusion (6)
17 Nicknamed (6)
19 Garden implement, vegetable (4)
21 Chinese cultural revolutionary (3,5)
23 Prank (8)
24 Throw (rider, matador) (4)

DOWN

1 US bullion store (4,4)
2 Bring to light (6)
3 Farm store (4)
4 One's earliest years (8)
5 Gently encouraged (6)
6 Spanish-speaking Caribbean island (4)
12 University teaching session (8)
14 Speculative thinker (8)
16 Impulsive (6)
18 Generosity (6)
20 (Affecting to be) smart (4)
22 Consider (4)

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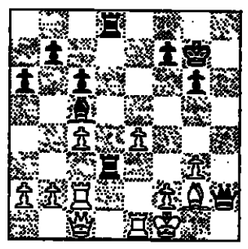
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DOWN: 2 One-day 3 Pal 4 Doggo 5 Flustered 6 Loiter 7 Scream 11 Filter tip 14 Coward 15 Disown 16 Engage 19 Usury 22 Lap

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

This position is from the game Espinosa - Garcia, Linares 1993. The black pieces have invaded the white position and it is not surprising that Black can now quickly decide the game in his favour. How did he achieve this?



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WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

BANDY-BANDY
a. Gossip
b. Sticky tape
c. A snake

FRUTICETUM
a. A hormone
b. A collection of shrubs
c. An orchard

TIRSHATHA
a. A Persian viceroy
b. An avian hieroglyph
c. Bride price

UPLONG
a. A windmill bar
b. A Malaysian language
c. A printer's rake

Answers on page 35